THE WEATHER.

Snow today; Monday generally fair; high northeast, shifting to northwest winds.

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COLD FROM WEST REACHES THE EAST

Came on The Wings of Gale and Sent the Mercury Tumbling.

ZERO WEATHER AT CHICAGO

Snow in Alabama and at Chattanooga —January Coldest Chicago Has Experienced in 35 Years— Much Suffering.

New York, Feb. 10.—The cold wave from the West arrived in New York today on the wings of a twenty mile wind, and within twelve hours had sent the mercury down to two degrees below zero. This was a drop of thirty degrees within twelve hours. The temperature remained stationary for four hours and the local weather bureau announced that it would hover near the zero mark all day and tonight.

Pittsburg, Feb. 10.—The coldest weather struck Pittsburg this morning, the official temperature being 8 degrees below zero.

Huntsville, Ala., Feb. 10.—Snow is falling over the greater part of northern Alabama this morning. At noon a depth of two inches was recorded in this vicinity.

Chicago, Feb. 10.—The temperature has hovered around the zero mark during the last 24 hours, but according to the Weather Bureau, warmer weather is due. Records completed today show that January, 1912, was the coldest Chicago has experienced in 35 years. There has been much suffering.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Feb. 10. — A snow storm began here at about two o'clock this morning and at 11:30 today the ground was covered to a depth of 4.3 inches and the snow was still falling. Similar reports were received from Alabama, Georgia and Tennessee points in this immediate territory.

A Driving Snow in Durham.

Durham, N. C., Feb. 10.—A driving snow began falling here about 7 o'colck this evening. At 10 o'clock all Durham is thickly covered with a white mantle of the fleecy substance and the snow flakes are still falling in great gusts of wind. In all probability the street cars will have to be operated all night, in order to make it possible for them to run tomorrow, as the track in every part of the city is almost covered in the time between cars.

Four Inches Snow at Charlotte.

Charlotte, N. C., Feb. 11.—A severe snow storm which started at 7 o'clock last night and continues unabated at 1 o'clock this morning, accompanied by unusually low temperature, followed a day of Spring-like weather. Traffic has been impeded and there is much suffering among the poor. The recorded depth at midnight was four inches and the high wind which accompanied the storm made the bitterest weather of the Winter.

Heavy Snow at Raleigh.

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 11.—Beginning at 6:20 last night snow began to fall in Raleigh, and at 1 o'clock this morning is still falling heavily, with over four inches on the ground. Reports indicate the fall is general throughout this section of the State.

FRANCO-GERMAN ACCORD

Ratified by French Senate by Vote of 222 to 48

Paris, Feb. 10.—The French Senate today ratified by a vote of 222 to 48 the Franco-German accord on the subject of Morocco and the Congo, which was signed on November 5th, last.

The accord is an agreement between the two countries by which France cedes to Germany a strip of territory in French Congo, while Germany cedes to France some territody on the frontiers of Togoland and Dahomey. The right of France to establish a protectorate in Morocco is recognized on condition that she agrees to safeguard economic equality and commercial liberty for all nations in that country.

SCHOONER IN COLLISION.

The Susie H. Davidson Picked Up by Revenue Cutter Mohawk.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 10.—The revenue cutter Mohawk late this afternoon picked up the schooner Susie H. Davidson, near Assateague, Va. The Davidson reported being in collision with an unknown schooner before daybreak this morning.

The Mohawk towed the Davidson to a safe anchorage near Assateague and returned to sea. Details of the damage done the Davidson were not received here, but the vessel was flying distress signals in her rigging when the revenue cutter reached her.

Philadelphia, Feb. 10.—On the arrival here tonight of the steamship Oregonian from Puerto Mexico, Manuel Caminata, steward of the steamer, was placed under arrest charged with attempting to smuggle into port opium valued at $4,000. The opium was found in the cabin occupied by the steward.

New York, Feb. 10. — Morris D. Brown, of Brooklyn, won the National Amateur Class A 18.2 balk-line billiard championship, a week's play for which ended in Brooklyn tonight. Brown lost but one game in the series.

EVERGLADE PROBE BEGAN YESTERDAY

Solicitor McCabe Told Reason for Engineer Elliot's Dismissal.

FINANCIAL IRREGULARITIES

A Letter Was Made Public At Hearing In Which It Was Declared Wilson Wanted to Save Himself

Washington, Feb. 10.—The Florida everglades investigation ordered by the House Committee on Expenditures in the Department of Agriculture got underway today. Solicitor George P. McCabe recited the department's version of the dismissal of C. G. Elliott, chief drainage engineer and A. D. Morehouse, his assistant, declaring Secretary Wilson's action was due entirely to the financial irregularities charged against the men in a transference of funds and had nothing to do with the everglades reports which it is charged, were suppressed.

Representative Clark, of Florida, whose charges against Secretary Wilson precipitated the investigation, made public a letter from Wilson in which the latter said he could not recall just the persons who recommended to him the suppression of a circular letter on the everglades prepared by Elliott.

Mr. Clark also made public a letter from Arthur E. Morgan, of Memphis, Tenn., president of the Morgan Engineering Company, formerly supervising engineer of United States Drainage Investigations, and now a special drainage engineer in the Department of Agriculture, charging that the dismissals of Elliott and Morehouse were directly due to the everglades controversy and that they were being sacrificed to shield Secretary Wilson.

"It has been a matter of common knowledge among the officials of the United States Drainage Investigations for more than a year," wrote Mr. Morgan, "that the suppression of the Florida everglades report, which was prepared by Mr. Elliott, has been an embarrassment to the higher officials of the department. It has been known by those familiar with the situation that the Florida land companies have been circulating broadcast Mr. Wright's original report, as the official of the department, whereas a different report, prepared by Mr. Elliott, stating the facts of the situation and not so favorable to the everglades land project, has been suppressed by Secretary Wilson.

"It also has been generally understood that the situation will come before the House in time and someone will be thoroughly discredited.

"I would not presume to write in this manner concerning the head of the department in which I am an official, did it not seem so unjust to dismiss Mr. Elliott presumably on other charges when the real cause of his dismissal is to cover the embarrassment of his superiors."

Solicitor McCabe admitted on the stand today that the charges against Elliott and Morehouse had been brought by Wright, formerly Elliott's subordinate, but now chief engineer in charge of the State drainage work in Florida.

ROOSEVELT CONFERENCE.

Permanent Committee Organized to Push His Candidacy.

Chicago, Feb. 10.—Eight Governors and delegates from 28 States met here today and in an informal conference organized a permanent committee to push the candidacy of Theodore Roosevelt for the Republican nomination for President.

The Governors addressed a letter to Col. Roosevelt in which they explained the purpose of the meeting and asked him to let it be known that if the people demand he accept the nomination the demand would not be unheeded by him.

The meeting was without disagreement and the resolutions adopted declare that "all are agreed Theodore Roosevelt is the one man who can, at this time, unite all elements of the party and attract a large number of independent voters."

The resolutions further favor "an expression of the people as choice for President by direct vote for a candidate in each State."

A statement signed by the eight Governors—Stubbs, of Kansas; Osborn, of Michigan; Hadley, of Missouri; Aldrich, of Nebraska; Bass, of New Hampshire; Glasscock, of West Virginia; Vessey, of South Dakota, and Carey, of Wyoming, says:

"Momentous questions are pressing for solution. A principle is of no avail without a man; cause is lost without a leader. In Theodore Roosevelt we believe the principle has the man; the cause, the leader. It is nothing to us that Theodore Roosevelt is not a candidate for the Republican nomination; we believe the people have decided to make him their candidate."

A suggestion that a Roosevelt enthusiasm convention be held in some central city, probably Cincinnati, prior to the Republican National Convention was referred to the executive committee.

Annual White Sale starts Monday at Rehder's. **

KNOX WILL SOON VISIT CUBA

Secretary of State Will Go to Spanish-America for Purpose of Solving Diplomatic Relations—Directions of Taft

Washington, Feb. 10.—For the purpose of solving diplomatic problems and acquiring more accurate information as to conditions in central and northern South America, Secretary of State Knox, by direction of President Taft will make a five weeks' trip to the Spanish-American republic bordering the Carribbean sea and the Gulf of Mexico.

As now planned, Mr. Knox will not visit Mexico, but that country may be included in the programme before he returns during the first week of April.

Although the official announcement of the trip, made public at the White House late today, gave no details, it was made known that Havana, Cuba, would be Mr. Knox's first stop, and it was reported that in Cuba he might attempt to "solve the problem" that brought about threats of American intervention there a few weks ago.

Aside from a possible peace-making expedition to Cuba the purpose of the trip was announced to be the promotion of friendly relations in Central America. In many respects it will be similar to that taken around South America several years ago by former Secretary of State Elihu Root. The benefits of the Root trip, American diplomats have rated high, and both the President and Mr. Knox hope for similar benefits from the coming visit, especially since the countries to which Mr. Knox will go never have received calls from America secretaries of State.

"The relations of the United States to the Spanish republics surrounding the Caribbean sea and the Gulf of Mexico are of the utmost importance to us, in view of our interests and responsibilities in that region. The President thinks it will be of great assistance in solving the diplomatic problems that are presenting themselves from day to day, if we manifest our friendly interests in these, our neighboring republics by a visit to them of the Secretary of State. By creating the closer relations and acquiring the more exact information ehat must come from such conferences as he will be able to have in the capitals of these republics with the heads of their governments, he will enable our government to deal with existing questions much more effectively. This will be the first time that an American Secretary of State has visited these countries.

"For that reason, the President has directed the Secretary of the Navy to put at the disposal of the Secretary the cruiser Washington for the purpose of making the trip. Secretary Knox will leave from some point in Florida within the next two weeks and may be gone until the first April."

The personnel of Mr. Knox was not announced tonight, bu said that among those who m company him were W. T S chief of the Latin-American of the State Department, wi with Mr. Root, and a military val aide designated by the V Navy Departments. Mr. Kn leave for Palm Beach early ne with Mrs. Knox and Hugh K son, who is also his private s Both may go with him on the to the South.

Washington, Feb. 10.—Und by the small appropriation allo by the House for carrying on aer in the army during 1913, the De partment today let contracts war aeroplanes. These contra let out of the appropriation allo this year. Brigadier Genera chief signal officer, today sa War Department would soon several more aeroplanes.

Rubbers and rubber boots a Rehder's.

WANTED MITCHELL'S PROMISE

Justice Wright Intimated That He Might Consider Immunity from Imprisonment for the Labor Leader

Washington, Feb. 10.—Justice Daniel T. Wright, of the District of Columbia Supreme Court, at the close of John Mitchell's testimony in today's hearings in the contempt proceedings against Samuel Gompers, Mitchell and Frank Morrison, "strongly recommended the propriety" of Mr. Mitchell making a promise to the court that he would obey all court injunctions in the future. Justice Wright intimated if Mr. Mitchell made such a promise before the close of the proceedings the court might consider immunity from imprisonment.

Mitchell gave no intimation as to his course. Earlier in the day he said:

"My choice is that I either be vindicated or condemned on the evidence submitted in the case."

"I should like to believe," added Mr. Mitchell, "that I have asserted candidly and truthfully that I never disobeyed the injunction, and have never aided or abetted in the boycott since directed by the court not to do so.

"I should like the court to acquit me on the belief of the truthfulness of my testimony. I am disinclined to make any statement directly or indirectly that might be considered an acknowledgement that my testimony is not accurate, and that I would seek relief by any other process than my evidence.

"I want every one to understand me to advise obedience to the law and to court orders. I want the right to contend for such political reforms and changes in judicial procedure, however, as would secure the rights guaranteed by the constitution. I cannot separate the guaranty of free speech and free press from the guaranty of a free conscience. If a court should attempt to enjoin my freedom of conscience, I should continue to worship according to my conscience."

Before leaving the witness stand Mr. Mitchell obtained permission to set forth his views on the subject in writing.

OUTLINES

The Mexican Rebels continued their plundering expeditions yesterday.

Former Governor Folk, candidate for President, withdrew from the race yesterday.

The dispute in the Virginia League was decided yesterday against President C. R. Williams.

At a banquet given in his honor yesterday Secretary of State Knox spoke on the Foreign Service.

The Republicans are preparing to advance on Peking on account of the too liberal terms offered the Manchus

Wm. J. Bryan intimated yesterday ness to testify before the com investigating the money trust. etiring paymaster of the army day declared Taft suppressed s against Major Beecher B. Ray, ical friend of the President. etary Knox, it was announced day, will shortly make a trip to panish-American Republics to diplomatic problems. Supreme Court justice trying ontempt cases against Gompers itchell, intimated that he might he latter immunity from impris- t.

Investigation into the alleged ession of unfavorable reports on orida everglades was begun yes- , Solicitor McCabe explaining e dismissed the chief engineer. innovation in labor war tactics ed last night by the distribu- n New York of 119 children parents are engaged in the Law- textile strike.

York markets: Money on call al. Spot cotton closed quiet, 15 higher. Flour steady. Wheat No. 2 red 1.02 3-4 elevator and loat. Corn easy, export 73 f.o.b. Rosin easy. Turpentine quiet.

SPOKE ON FOREIGN SERVICE

Secretary Knox Attended Brilliant Banquet Given in His Honor by Committee on Foreign Affairs.

Washington, Feb. 10.—The crucial need of having the foreign service high above the tides and eddies of partisanship, was the keynote of a speech which Secretary of State Knox delivered tonight at a banquet given in his honor by the House Committee on Foreign Affairs at the Pan-American Union building. Mrs. Knox was also a guest and many diplomats and representatives in Congress were present.

Party differences were forgotten. A Democratic committee of a Democratic Congress, in a hall dedicated to the Central and South American Republics, paid its respects to a Republican Secretary of State. Representative Sulzer, of New York, chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, presided. He introduced Secretary Knox as a constructive statesman and a diplomat of world-wide experience, of whom "the people of America are justly proud."

Secretary Knox told how the management of foreign affairs throughout the American revolutionary period rested in the Continental Congress.

With the advent of the constitutional regime," he continued, "the direction of foreign affairs passed to the chief executive. The President is the deputy of the whole Nation, and acts in response to its needs and will.

"The functions of the executive, and especially in all that pertains to the relations of this Nation to all other world-sovereignties, should be continuous and consistent, conforming to the body of precedent and practice, which more than a century has upbuilt. It should speak for the whole country, not for a party or faction. Political parties come and go, but the Nation abides. Its course toward other Nations is shaped according to the eternal verities of international law, justice and equity.

"Fortunately, the ideal of a purely non-partisan diplomatic establishment is coming to realization, after many years of effort.

"A government of divided councils, if weak at home, is as weak, or still weaker, abroad. This assemblage tonight is evidence of the hearty support through the popular representative of the people in Congress, which like the co-operation of the Senate in its treaty-making function and otherwise, is so indispensable to the executive in the conduct of foreign affairs."

LABOR LEADER TALKS

Butler Says He's Ready for Anything That May Develop

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 10.—J. T. Butler, of Buffalo, N. Y., vice president of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, conferred today with Frank M. Ryan, the president, concerning reports which Mr. Ryan said he had received about the government's investigation of the dynamite conspiracy.

"We are ready for any action that may develop," said Mr. Butler. "I probably will be at some point in Ohio on Tuesday."

Mr. Ryan had announced it had been reported to him that 30 of the 40 or more men indicted for alleged complicity in the dynamite cases were officers of the iron workers. The arrests of the men are to take place early next week.

Lexington, Ky., Feb. 10.—Governor Woodrow Wilson, of New Jersey, made an unexpected visit here today after it was thought he had left for Chicago. He spent the afternoon in conference with Democratic leaders going to the house of Johnson N. Camden, near Versailles. It was reported he might be here several days.

New York doesn't care how many conventions Baltimore swipes, if she can have the trade differentials. — Washington Post.

SERIOUS CHARGES AGAINST MR. TAFT

Paymaster Declares President Suppressed Charges Against Friend.

HELPED TAFT IN POLITICS

A Major Guilty of Unbecoming Conduct Was Whitewashed Because He Had Previously Rendered Political Services

Washington, Feb. 10.—That charges of conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman against Major Beecher B. Ray, of the army pay corrps, were suppressed at the suggestion of President Taft, was the declaration made before the House Committee on Expenditures in the War Department, by Brigadier General C. H. Whipple, retiring paymaster general of the army. Ray, it is charged, took an active part in the Taft campaign of 1908 and his political activity has been under investigation by the Congerssional Committee. It is claimed that Major Ray acted as a "walking delegate" for the Republican party.

Twice Major Ray escaped a trial, said General Whipple, on charges which he, the general believed warranted prosecution. He said he went to Beverly in 1910 to see the President and that Mr. Taft had dictated a letter in his presence advising that for the honor of the army and the good name of a woman, stories of the Major's acquaintance with the wife of an employe of the pay department be kept from the record. This letter and two others by President Taft were put in record to show the political connections of Major Ray.

The paymaster was appointed to the army after serving in the campaign of 1896 under Mark Hana in rounding up the railway trainmen's vote. He is said to have done similar work in the campaign of 1908 for President Taft.

In one of his letters President Taft said Major Ray had been active in the campaign at the instance of his (the President's) brother, and added that he feared Major Ray had "presumed on the value of the service rendered. General Whipple said Major Ray recently was tranferred from Atlanta to Chicago. No reason for the transfer was given him, the general said, and there was no stress of public business warranting it.

Says Charges Are Without Foundation

Chicago, Feb. 10.—"The charges made by Brigadier General Whipple are absolutely without foundation," said Major Beecher B. Ray here today.

"In the first place I have no political pull whatsoever. I was transferred here recently but why I do not know. I know nothing about the order for my transfer other than that it was made and I changed positions.

"I never 'rounded up the trainmen's vote' for Mark Hanna, President Taft or any one else. Charges that I have been favored because of political activity are untrue.

"My refations with the woman referred to in the Washington dispatch were perfectly proper. I know to whom the story refers but I will not give her name."

TERMS TOO LIBERAL

Planning Advance On Peking on Account of Manchu Demands

Nanking, China, Feb. 10 —While Yuan Shi Kai, the Imperial Premier at Peking, is endeavoring to persuade the Republicans to concede the Manchu demands the Republicans are preparing to begin an advance on Peking. Impatience is increasing and a protest has reached here from Canton against the too liberal terms offered the throne and embodying a demand that the Manchus be stripped of all power.

The Southern forces now exceed 100,000 men and reinforcements are arriving daily at the various Republican centers. Apparently there is no lack of funds. President Sun Yat Sen is in absolute control and expresses hope for a peaceful coalition of the North and South but he fears that Yuan Shi Kai will exhaust the patience of the southern provinces by quibbling over details and force a conflict. Dr. Sun had repeatedly said that the northern provinces are solidly in favor of the Republic, and as a matter of fact, the capital of Shan Tung province declared for the revolution on Friday.

The revolutionary congress is still busy with the details of the provisional constitution. Close observers assert that Yuan Shi Kai, Sun Yat Sen other leaders are practically agreed with reference to the terms of a settlement but are awaiting the perfection of the plans before the issuance of an edict. Sun Yat Sen says that he does not seek a portfolio.

Rear Admiral Murdock is proceeding for Shanghai on the United States converted cruiser Rainbow.

The eye is the most delicate and most sensitive of our senses, yet the most neglected. Many headaches and nervous breakdowns come directly from muscular troubles of the eye. Properly fitted glasses relieve muscular strain, and the sooner applied the better. I am on the alert for defective eyes. Dr. Vineberg, the Eye Specialist, Masonic Temple. Eyes tested free. **

CAUSE OF MISSIONS PRESENTED HERE

Wilmington Churches Join in Campaign for Christianizing the World.

THE CAMPAIGN IN THE SOUTH

Mass Meeting at Academy of Music to be Addressed by Prominent Speakers—Missions Subject at Churches.

In the Academy of Music this evening, in this city, beginning at 8 o'clock a big rally will be held in the interest of the Laymen's Missionary Movement and addresses will be delivered by prominent workers in the cause who are fresh from the Laymen's Missionary conventions held the past week at Chattanooga, Tenn, by the Presbyterians, and at Salisbury, N. C., by the Lutherans of the Southern church. It is believed that the meeting will be attended by a capacity house. There will be no services in several of the local churches tonight and the congregations are urged to attend the missionary rally, which is open to both men and women. These meetings are in line with the aggressive campaign being carried on just now all over the South.

Special Missionary addresses will be delivered in several churches of the city this morning by the prominent local visitors. Addresses have been arranged for this morning as follows:

First Presbyterian—Mr. J. Campbell White, of New York, general secretary of the Laymen's Missionary Movement.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian—Mr. Geo. Innes, a prominent business man of Philadelphia.

St. Paul's Lutheran—Dr. Edward T. Horn, of the Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia.

Fifth Street Methodist—Gen. Julian S. Carr, of Durham.

It is expected that there will be unusually large congregations at each of the churches this morning and all are assured of addresses of more than ordinary interest.

At the Academy of Music this evening addresses will be delivered by Mr. J. Campbell White, Dr. Edward T. Horn and Mr. Geo. Innes. Both Mr. White and Mr. Innes attended the convention of the Southern Presbyterian Church at Chattanooga, the past week and made addresses before that body. Mr. Innes has made a tour of the world to learn first hand of the work of missions and none of the addresses will be listened to with keener interest than the one to be delivered by him. Mr. White arrived last evening and is the guest while in the city of Mr. James Sprunt. Mr. White spoke at the convention of the Missionary Movement of the Lutheran Church of the South at Salisbury Friday night. The following is taken from the Salisbury correspondence of the Charlotte Observer relative to his address:

"J. Campbell White, of New York, was the first speaker tonight. He is thoroughly imbued with the missionary idea and his soul is aflame with love for lost souls, and tonight he mastered his audience. Mr. White spent ten years in India and for the last decade he has labored here at home, stirring the men of the churches to a realization of their relation to the work of saving the world. Tonight, speaking on the theme, 'The Oncoming Kingdom and Its Challenge to Men,' he moved mightily the churchmen who listened attentively to him. Mr. White spent some time last year in the heart of heathendom and is thus well equipped to speak with authority. Tonight he called attention to the fact that now the heathen nations have open heart and minds ready to receive the message of the cross. In view of this condition, the speaker pleaded for a larger force of workers to go with the Gospel to the waiting millions. In his address tonight Mr. White told of the wonderful meeting at Chattanooga last night, when a business men from North Carolina agreed to take entire responsibility for a new mission station in Korea, where he will erect the needed buildings for mission work and, in addition, assume the obligation of $9,000 a year necessary to send the Gospel to the people of that station with its 250,000 people. Mr. White did not give the name, but said he was a Presbyterian layman of North Carolina. The speaker was exceedingly interesting as he told of the wonderful success of the Korean work."

The committee in charge extends to the people of Wilmington generally a most cordial invitation to attend the rally and promise that no matter how the weather may be on the outside the opera house will be comfortable.

Mr. Nash Can't Come.

The committee received a telegram last night from Mr. L. L. Nash, a prominent layman of Tarboro, N. C., who was to have delivered an address this morning at St. James' Episcopal Church, stating that he had found at the last minute that he would be unable to keep his engagement.

The committee desires that the public bear in mind that there will be no collection at the meeting this evening and that both men and women are cordially invited to attend.

Back From Meetings.

Among those returning yesterday from the Laymen's Missionary Con-

vention at Chattanooga, Tenn., were the following from this city: Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sprunt, Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church; Mr. Andrew J. Howell, assistant pastor of the First Presbyterian Church; Rev. J. S. Crowley, pastor of Immanuel Presbyterian Church, and Messrs. Frank Brittain, W. C. Smith and Pridgen. The party reported a splendid time and were most enthusiastic over the enthusiasm and success of the great gathering of the laymen.

Messrs. J. H. Rehder, C. W. Polvogt and F. E. Hashagen, returned late Friday night from Salisbury where they attended the general Laymen's Missionary convention of the Lutheran Church. They were accompanied by Dr. Edward T. Horn, of Philadelphia, who will preach at St. Paul's Lutheran church this morning and will be one of the speakers at the mass meeting at the Academy tonight. Rev. H. E. Beatty, pastor of St. Matthew's Lutheran church, returned yesterday.

BANK OF ATKINSON

Thriving Pender County Town Organizes Promising Institution

Reference was made yesterday to the organization of the Bank of Atkinson, at Atkinson, N. C., one of the thriving towns of Pender county, on the A & Y. division of the Atlantic Coast Line, between Wilmington and Fayetteville. This bank was organized under most favorable auspices on the 7th inst., with a capital of $10,000, all fully subscribed by some of the leading citizens of that section and Wilmington. The officers as announced here yesterday are as follows:

President—Dr. J. T. Hoggard.
Vice President—Mr. E. A. Hawes.
Vice President—Mr. W. H. Lewis.
Cashier—Mr E. A. Hawes, Jr.
Assistant Cashier—A. H. Costin.
Directors: Messrs. E. A. Hawes, J. R. Hawes, J. T. Hoggard, W. H. Lewis, D. J. Corbett, Jr., Haywood Corbett and H C. McQueen.

Mr. McQueen, a member of the board of directors of the new bank, is president of the Murchison National Bank, of this city, one of the strongest institutions of its kind in the South, and his name and influence in the affairs of the new bank will be a decided advantage to it in the development and expansion of the material interests of the section which the Bank of Atkinson will serve.

THE SNEED TRIAL.

Private Attorney on the Stand and Case Proceeded Slowly.

Fort Worth, Tex., Feb. 10.—W. H. Atwell, United States district atorney for the Northern District of Texas, and private attorney for John B. Sneed, prior to the killing of A. G. Boyce, Sr., was on the witness stand the greater part of today in the trial of Sneed, who is charged with murder. Atwell had been summoned by both the State and defense. He was called by the defense and because of the frequency of objections raised by the prosecution his examination proceeded slowly. He will be recalled when the trial is resumed Monday. Atwell's testimony related mainly to the pursuit by Sneed of A. G. Boyce, Jr., and Mrs. Sneed after their elopement from Fort Worth, the direct cause of the killing of the elder Boyce.

Atwell at times took a hand in offering objections, especially when efforts were made to have him repeat his testimony before the grand jury which indicted Sneed and the habeas corpus proceedings which resulted in the granting to Sneed his release under bond.

Several witnesses testified this morning as to the attitude of A. G. Boyce, Sr., with reference to the friendship of Mrs. Sneed and his son. Remarks derogatory to Mrs. Sneed were credited to him.

WASHINGTON POLITICS

Ballot Boxes Stolen at Primaries In District of Columbia

Washington, Feb. 10.—The District of Columbia, which exercises suffrage once in four years, in connection with the naming of delegates to the nominating conventions, had a unique experience with its Republican primaries yesterday. Though Aaron Bradshaw and W Calvin Chase, admittedly Taft delegates, triumphed over Sidney Bieber and John R. Wilder, who wanted to go uninstructed, the result was in doubt long after midnight with a prospect that a contest would be begun by the defeated candidates.

One ballot box was stolen outright and has not been recovered, while a second is in the hands of the police. At one polling place an attempt was to steal a ballot box and dump its contents in the Potomac river, but the thief was arrested. Since the box is to be used as evidence against the thief the police refused to give it to the vote tellers. The result was announced on the basis of the votes counted. Bradshaw and Chase received 2,966, against 1,848 for Wilder and Bieber.

BANK PRESIDENT ACQUITTED.

Charles Davis Was Indicted for Embezzlement on 535 Counts.

Petersburg, Va., Feb. 10.—Charles Hall Davis, former president of the Appomattox Trust Company, indicted on 535 counts, charging embezzlement of various sums totaling $185,000 from the Appomattox bank, was today acquitted, Judge Mullen in the Hustings court holding the charge made in the indictment was not sustained by evidence. The trial had been under way in the Hustings court for four and a half days and but three witnesses had been heard.

Davis, with former Cashier Carter R. Bishop, will be arraigned next Wednesday on a joint indictment charging false report of the bank's condition to the State Corporation Commission.

Almost Lost His Life.

S. A. Stid, of Mason, Mich., will never forget his terrible exposure to a merciless storm. "It gave me a dreadful cold," he writes, "that caused severe pains in my chest, so it was hard for me to breathe. A neighbor gave me several doses of Dr. King's New Discovery which brought great relief. The doctor said I was on the verge of pneumonia, but to continue with the Discovery. I did so and two bottles completely cured me." Use only this quick, safe, reliable medicine for coughs, colds, or any throat or lung trouble. Price 50c and $1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by R. R. Bellamy.

FOLK HAS WITHDRAWN

Candidate Against Clark Asked His Friends to Take Down His Name

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 10.—Seventy-seven of the 81 counties which reported up to 11 o'clock tonight on today s Democratic primaries showed Champ Clark delegations, according to returns at the Clark-for-President headquarters. Three counties, Cape, Girardeau, Barton and Mississippi, returned Folk delegations.

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 10.—Former Governor Joseph W. Folk withdrew as an active candidate for the Democratic nomination today. He withdrew after he had received a telegram from Champ Clark which agreed to divide the Missouri delegation to the Democratic National Convention as recently suggested by William J Bryan.

Mr. Folk not only agreed to divide the delegation but asked his friends to make no further effort in his behalf. He promised to support Mr. Clark.

Friends of Mr. Folk said that he will have half of the State delegation which is to be selected in Joplin on February 20th, but that the Folk men on the delegation will support Mr. Clark. If it is seen that Speaker Clark cannot get the nomination on a reasonable number of ballots in the Baltimore convention, the former Governor will consider that he has the right to enter the race for the nomination.

St. Joseph, Mo., Feb. 10.—Champ Clark had no opposition at the primaries in Buchanan county today following the announcement that Folk had withdrawn as an active candidate for the Presidential nomination. By a narrow margin Clark won in DeKalb county.

St. Louis, Feb. 10.—Speaker Champ Clark, according to reports from 40 of 90 counties holding primaries today, was successful in all of the 40 except Giardeau, which went for Folk.

JAMAICA GINGER CASES

Greensboro Druggist Discharged By Police Justice Yesterday

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Greensboro, N. C., Feb. 10.—Judge Eure this morning dismissed the ten cases against Thomas C. McIlhenny, the South Greensboro druggist, charged with the illegal sale of Jamaica ginger. In dismissing the defendant Judge Eure took occasion to deliver a prohibition, moral and Christian lecture, throwing in incidentally a solemn warning that if ever a man came into his court with evidence showing the improper sale of ginger, no mercy need be expected.

The ten witnesses against McIlhenny were heard by the police authorities in ad testificandum proceedings several days ago, each at the time testifying to buying ginger from the store owned and operated by McIlhenny. The defense at the trial today offered no testimony, the counsel asking a discharge on the ground that the evidence of the State did not show that the preparation sold by McIlhenny did not come within the rules of the United States Board of Pharmacopoeia, but rather that it was sold for medicinal purposes. City Attorney Cooke pleaded vigorously for a conviction, declaring that the prohibition laws of the State were at stake.

DESERTED HIS WIFE.

Young Woman Tells Tennessee Police Her Marital Troubles.

Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 10.—Deserted by her husband of three days, Mrs. A. L. Arnold, daughter of Dr. Robert Alexander Dickson, of Durham, Ark., summoned detectives to her aid today at a prominent local hotel and told them of her unfortunate marital experience.

A week ago Mrs. Armstead, who was then Miss Merger Dickson, met the man she married on a train near Springfield, Mo. Through correspondence arrangements were made for the wedding and the young woman came to Nashville Tuesday from Paris, Tenn., where she was visiting an aunt. The wedding was held in the parlor of the hotel and followed by an elaborate dinner.

Mrs. Arnold says her husband told her Friday that he lost his purse containing a large sum of bills and went out to look for it. He failed to return and today the young woman notified the officers when he failed to pay the large hotel bill, and upon investigation it was learned he had been previously arrested for fraud.

Lynchburg, Va., Feb. 10.—The Lynchburg Y. M. C. A. basketball team tonight defeated Randolph-Macon College, of Ashland, 45 to 14. The game was played at Randolph-Macon Woman's College, where 400 Randolph-Macon girls cheered their colors. The collegians were outclassed, although the gymnasium floor was strange to both teams.

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If your hair is loosing its color or constantly coming out, or if you are troubled with dandruff or dry, itchy scalp, get a fifty cents bottle of Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur from your druggist, use it according to the simple directions, and see what a difference a few days' treatment will make in the appearance of your hair.

All druggists sell it, under guarantee that the money will be refunded if the remedy is not exactly as represented.

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REVENUE CUTTERS LAUNCHED.

Uualga and Miami Christened at Newport News Yesterday.

Newport News, Va., Feb. 10.—With the launching here today of the new revenue cutters Unalga and Miami by the Newport News Shipbuilding Company, the United States is adding to its revenue navy, under control of the Treasury Department through the United States Revenue Cutter Service, directed by Assistant Secretary Robt. O. Bailey, two notable vessels to be engaged in the important work of saving life and property at sea in connection with their duties of seeing that the customs laws are complied with. For the interesting ceremonies in connection with the launching and christening the vessels a party composed of the Secretary of the Treasury, Franklin MacVeagh, numerous Senators and Representatives and prominent officials had arranged to be present at the personal guests of the officers of the Revenue Cutter Service. The honor of christening the Unalga fell to Miss Elizabeth Hilles, daughter of Charles D. Hilles, secretary to President Taft, while Miss Barnes Richardson, daughter of Representative William Richardson, of Alabama, senior member of the House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, held the honor for naming the Miami.

THE SUMMER SCHOOL.

Plans for University Term Being Perfected at Chapel Hill.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Chapel Hill, N. C., Feb. 10.—Plans for the University Summer School are rapidly being perfected whereby the University will be able to offer to teachers during the coming session the most useful and interesting courses in professional training it has given since the opening of its educational department in 1877.

The term will begin on Tuesday, June 11th, shortly after the close of the 117th commencement and will continue until July 20th, a period of six weeks.

Courses of instruction will be offered in primary school methods, the common school branches, secondary education, and all other subjects essential to the better training of teachers. By offering a number of courses in new subjects required by the school law and several courses not required but essential to a high grade of professional service, the University plans to provide within the State such instruction as will aid and inspire teachers in their splendid work.

RALEIGH'S TRIPLE TRAGEDY

Stomachs of Victims to Be Analyzed —Sales of Leaf Tobacco

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 10.—It develops that the work of analyzing the stomachs of the three young men from Benson, found dead in the Wilson Apartments Monday night, is held up awaiting action of the county commissioners in assuming the expense of this work which will be done by W. A. Withers at the A. & M. College laboratory. Solicitor H. E. Norris, just home from Harnett court approved the purpose to have the analysis made and he will make the formal demand on the commissioners for the expense to be taken care of. However, very few people expect that any traces of poison will be found. And, indeed, there are at this time no indications of there having been any foul play in connection with the terrible triple tragedy.

The sales of loose leaf tobacco on the North Carolina tobacco markets during the month of January aggregates 10,429,729 pounds, against 6,098,749 during January, 1911. Winston Salem led as usual.

Housekeepers who get butter in the jar or tub will find that the use of a little charcoal will insure having the butter sweet. The charcoal is placed in a paper bag and then put into the jar.

An apple pie made without the upper crust is a pleasing change. Line the pie plate and bake the under crust; fill with apple sauce, seasoned to taste, and cover to top with whipped cream.

Cold bluefish or almost any cold fish, except coarse fish, like salt cod, may be utilized for salad. Season with plenty of salad dressing, tiny slices of young onions and minced parsley. Serve on a bed of lettuce.

Old velveteen should be saved for polishing cloths. It will serve the purpose of wash cloths for plate cleaning and save buying anything fresh. Wash the velveteen in soapy water as often as needed and lay out to dry.

For a cream whip, which is easily made, fill sherbet glasses half full of preserved fruit. Heap them with whipped cream that has been flavored with vanilla or wine, and spread tops lightly with cocoa, cocoanut or minced nuts.

To get better results from a hot water bottle, wrap it in a soft cloth wrung out in hot water. This will give a steaming heat and is much more effective for neuralgia, etc., than the dry heat of the bottle, as ordinarily applied.

Never sit on the edge of a sick person's bed, and never place your chair so that he must strain his eyes or turn his head to see you. Get directly in range of his vision so that he may see you comfortably. Never whisper in a sick room.

The best thing to dust furniture is a large, soft paint brush which has been dipped in olive oil and squeezed almost dry. This will take up every bit of dust without sending it flying about.

BLEWETT FALLS POWER

Arrangements for Conveying Current to Raleigh—Charters Amended

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N C., Feb. 10.—The Carolina Power & Light Co., of this city, which is developing the great Blewitt Falls electric power plant, has not yet gotten in working order its big transforming plant here for the distribution of the electric power for lighting and industrial purposes here and to Henderson, Fayetteville and numbers of other towns in this section. On this account the company is handling the current in volume of 60,000 volts instead of 100,000 volts that will be the voltage when the transforming plant is ready, which will be within the next two weeks. The current coming Blewett Falls now 32,000 horsepower and it is combined with the current from Buckhorn Shoals and the Raleigh steam plant.

The charter of the American Machine and Manufacturing Co., of Charlotte, is amended for an increase of the capital from $300,000 to $325,000. J. W. Conway is president.

An amendment to the charter of The White-Williamson Co., of Saxapahaw, Alamance county, increases the working capital from $200,000 to $225,000.

When going into a house that has been closed all Summer see that the cellar windows are opened, and that all the faucets are allowed to run for at least an hour. Poisonous gases often collect, and one cause of typhoid fever in the autumn is neglect of such precautions.

Care should be taken in drying bread to be used for crumbs. Do not let it remain in the oven long enough to brown, for cutlets or croquettes rolled in over-browned crumbs will not brown when frying.

A Baltimore belle announces that she is going to retire from society in order to study antiques. She does not explain why she thinks it necessary to retire from society for that purpose. —Savannah News.

Mayor James Dahlman, of Omaha, says that the Harvey incident is the collapse of the Wilson boom. But the trouble with the Wilson boom is that it grows stronger every time it collapses.—Atlanta Georgian.

When the mayonnaise separates in the making, add a little of the white of the egg and continue adding the other ingredients. In almost every case the separation will be overcome.

When we encounter a man who is long on words and short on works, we wonder how much his wife earns by taking in washing.

WRIGHT

"Sells Lots"

We have had a very busy week. Have made money for a number of people, and as it is a pleasure to make you happy also, we will tell you of some of the property that can be bought so as to make a good profit.

You remember, we offered a pretty modern cottage; this went to a young couple just starting into housekeeping. The investment property went to a lady, after her investigating it personally and through her advisers. The lot on Third street went to a speculator (who already has been offered a substantial profit). It will take too much of this space to tell of the recent good purchases, but if you will take our advice, as hundreds and hundreds are doing continually, we will make money for you, too.

Let us tell you the price and the terms (if you want money we will gladly loan it to you) of the two houses on the good big half block deep lot, on east side of Sixth, between Chestnut and Grace streets, Nos. 216 and 218.

This is a fine location, and the owner wants to sell and when an owner wants to sell, that is the time to buy.

On Tenth street just north of Chestnut, No. 205, is a good low price home for sale. Lot is big, too.

A new addition to our list is the fine, brand new home, No. 814 Orange street. A high, healthy place to live, beautiful and well built, for a home.

There are two houses on the car line—Princess street just east of Eighth, Nos. 806 and 808—a valuable location. We have a proposition here that is also interesting.

Have you noticed that elegant vacant (excepting small shop) lot on southwest corner of Tenth and Princess? Did you know it could be bought reasonably. It is 80 feet by 100 feet in size.

Some one is missing an opportunity in not buying the "Sullivan" home at Carolina Place. The lot is big, 80x165 with alley in rear. The house is new and up-to-date in every detail. The price is right and the terms are easy.

Just the second lot east of 17th and Market on the north side is a nice, level lot with an alley in the rear. If you like Carolina Heights, listen to the price and terms.

The lot on northeast corner of 19th and Market is 200x100 feet in size. Fine, isn't it? Room for two houses. Price is fair, too. We will gladly tell you all about it.

The southeast corner of Front and Walnut hasn't been bought. It's your fault. A few thousand dollars will secure it. The house will pay the interest on the amount you borrow and neither you or I can, if we tried our hardest, could keep Front street property from doubling in value in the coming four years.

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NEGROES ON RAMPAGE.

Deputies Sent to Arrest—Cotton Receipts Heavy—Knitting Mills.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Kinston, N. C., Feb. 10.—While on a rampage in Vance township, Lenoir county, drunken negroes created a deal of excitement and no little trouble. Damage to property was considerable, as a result of the carousal, including the pulling down of telephone poles. Deputy Sheriff Geo. Gray, armed with nine warrants, has gone to the scene to take the offenders into custody.

The first of a series of social meetings being given by the Business Men's Class of the Queen Street Methodist church was a success beyond expectations. Practically all of the large membership was present, and talks were made by Clerk of the Court Plato Collins, J. W. Goodson, of the American Tobacco Company; P. S. B. Underwood, superintendent of the city schools. The principal address of the evening was by Mr. Brabham, field secretary of Methodist Sunday school work in the State.

Receipts of cotton in Kinston continue to be unusually large, due to the advances in prices recently made, although the sales have been active throughout the season. So far this year buyers have bought in two and a half times as much as had been sold in the corresponding time last year.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Kinston Cotton Mills, a dividend of 4 per cent., payable semi-annually, was declared on the common stock of $160,000. Besides this, a comfortable part of the profits was carried over to undivided profits. The company made a profit in 1911 of over nine per cent., a very satisfactory showing. N. J. Rouse, president; S. H. Abbott, vice-president; J. F. Taylor, treasurer, and T. V. Moseley, secretary, were re-elected, and the board of directors remains without change.

Lots of men who are worrying about what is going to happen to them in the next world wouldn't be if they could send the furnace in their own house down there.

When scrambled eggs are served, make a tomato sauce, adding to it a few Spanish peppers, chopped fine. This will be a delicious accompaniment to the eggs.

A small pinch of carbonate of soda in the water in which cabbages are boiled preserves the color of the vegetable and lessens the unpleasant odor while cooking.

Small pearl buttons are much better than cheap collar buttons. Sew them on the neckband of the waist and button the collar over them the same as over a collar button.

It is especially useful to understand about disinfectants used for the sink. Certain purifiers may be death to germs; they are equally death to the pipes, and plumber bills follow.

A thin coat of potash left on the sink overnight once a week will remove the ugly yellow strains that will not yield to kerosene. It should be applied with care, as it is poisonous.

When postcard photographs curl and become brittle rub them over with a cloth dipped in a cupful of water to which a teasponful of glycerine has been added, to soften them.

Orange fritters are as delicious an accompaniment to broiled or fried ham as apple sauce to spare rib.

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No case of contagious blood poison is ever cured until the last particle of the virus has been removed from the circulation. The least taint left in the blood will sooner or later, cause a fresh outbreak of the trouble, with all its hideous and destructive symptoms of ulcerated mouth and throat, copper colored splotches, falling hair, sores and ulcers, etc. No other medicine so surely cures contagious blood poison as S. S. S. It goes down into the blood and steadily and surely drives out every particle of the infection. It absolutely and perfectly purifies the blood, and leaves this vital fluid as fresh, rich and healthy as it was before the destructive virus of contagious blood poison entered the circulation. S. S. S. quickly takes effect on the blood, and gradually the symptoms disappear, the health is improved, the skin cleared of all spots, sores and other blemishes, the hair stops coming out, the mouth and throat heal and when S. S. S. has cleansed the system of the poison no trace of the disease is left. S. S. S. cures contagious blood poison because it is the greatest of all blood purifiers tested and proven for more than forty years. Book on this disease with suggestions for home treatment, and any medical advice sent free to all who write.

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DISTRICT ATTORNEY ENGAGED.

Valet Pleaded Guilty When He Was Not Guilty.

New York, Feb. 10.—Determined to get to the bottom of the case of Foulkes Brandt, the former valet of Mortimer L. Schiff, who alleges that he pleaded guilty to charges of which he was not guilty, and was sentenced to a 30 years term in prison, District Attorney Whitman was busily engaged today and left for Washington late in the day for further work on the case.

The district attorney refused to discuss his plans, but it was learned that he proposed to consult in Washington with United States Senator Knute Nelson, of Minnesota. Senator Nelson is said to have received 10 letters from Brandt since he began his long sentence five years ago, and he has taken interest in the case because both he and Brandt are of Scandanavian origin.

MAY BE SEPARATED.

Polish Children May Not be Allowed to Enter.

Washington, Feb. 10.—Secretary of Commerce and Labor Nagel went to Philadelphia today to investigate personally the plight of two Polish children detained at that port and threatened with separation from their parents and other members of their family. The case has enlisted Mr. Nagel's sympathy and he will consult with Commissioner of Immigration Rogers as well as examine the would-be immigrants. The children, Jan and Stefani Wopalka, are supposed to have trachoma. This disease might bar them from this country, although the six other members of their family are entitled to admission.

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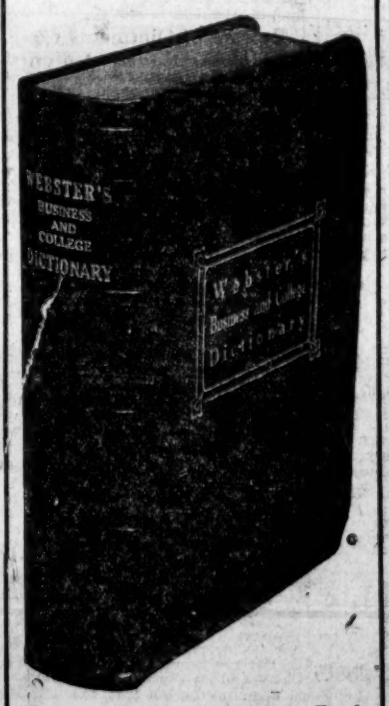

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THE WEEK AT LUMBERTON

Supreme Court in Session—Improvements at Seaboard Health Conditions in Robeson—Joke on Young Ladies—Notes

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Lumberton, N. C., Feb. 10.—Superior Court which convened Tuesday morning has disposed of a good deal of business. There has been many submissions which has saved the court much time and in some cases the defendants may have helped themselves by submitting. Judge Peebles seems to sympathize with the unfortunate ones and shows a disposition to help those who are inclined to help themselves.

The greatest number of cases are those of retailing and carrying concealed weapons. Jim Jenkins was put on trial this morning for the killing of another negro a few weeks ago when the officers raided a gambling den. Some have an idea that the shot was intended for one of the officers when it was fired. The trial of Carson Strickland, a white man, charged with killing his brother-in-law in a drunken brawl at Marietta, in November, has been set for Monday and a special venire of 100 men summoned.

A man from Raleigh whom we have known for some time, has been a Lumberton visitor this week. While in conversation with him he informed us that he had to come all the way from Raleigh to testify against a negro from whom he had bought some whiskey at Maxton. He seemed to be much in need of something while we were talking, as the weather was freezing cold and enough to make anyone shiver. He wanted to know if we could not put him "onto" where he could get a "little smile." We could not give the information and thought no more of it. Later in the day we learned he had turned detective and had been working on the blind tigers at Maxton. Raleigh seems to be as much in need of detectives as Maxton or Lumberton, and he should help run down law-breakers at home first. We do not know that he mistook us for a Lumberton blockader, but if he did he fell down. If he had come out squarely it would have been different. Words that would express our contempt for a man like that are not often seen in print.

Reports from the country are that many sweet potatoes have rotted in the hills. We hear of one farmer who, upon examination, found that his potatoes were rottening badly, loaded up a two-horse wagon with them and drove to town to try to dispose of them. Housekeepers and grocers were not in the market that day for rotten potatoes and they were carried back to the pigs.

Woodlawn Dairy is to be doubled in capacity. Mr. J. A. Boon, Jr., who has operated the dairy for some time, now has associated with him Mr. J. N. Dunivan, an experienced dairyman, who arrived from Asheville this week, accompanied by his wife. Mr. Boon already has about 20 cows and now he and Mr. Dunivan are advertising for 20 more. They will also do some trucking.

On next Friday evening, the 16th, the Daughters of the Confederacy will give a silver tea at the home of Mrs S. McIntyre. The public is invited, and must carry a small silver offering.

Peter Vallis, proprietor of the Dixie Cafe, has opened another cafe at the Seaboard passenger station known as the "Quick Lunch Cafe." This will be found very convenient for people leaving on the early train who desire a cup of coffee before they go.

Great improvements have been made at the Seaboard passenger station during this week. Several carloads of sand have been used to fill in the tracks and ground adjacent thereto, which will prevent the necessity of wading from the waiting room to trains during rainy weather. The station has been given a fresh coat of paint which makes a big improvement.

"The Devil" was played here Monday night in the true sense of the word. Those who had seen the play put on by competent people say it is really a good show, but the few who witnessed the attempt here don't care to see the "Devil" any more. Off the stage the people are as clever as come along, but on the stage they remind one of a bunch of kids playing.

Mrs. Eliza Bass, who will celebrate the 79th anniversary of her birth in April, realizing that she will not be here long at most, this week had her burial casket made just as she wanted it and delivered at her home where she had it placed in the barn. The material used was of the best heart lumber that could be procured from the yellow pine. The exterior is painted black, while the interior is lined to suit the lady. She does not wish to be buried in a "store-bought coffin."

The county commissioners and county board of health have wisely decided to employ a county superintendent of health who will be required to give his entire time to the cause. Dr. McPhaul, the present superintendent, has been advocating this action for some time, though on account of his practice he could not accept the position. Applications are now being advertised for and will be considered at a joint meeting of the two boards on the 19th.

Prof. Lewis, of New York, champion finger billiardist, of the world, only man in the world playing billiards with his nose, gave an exhibition at the Industrial and Commercial Club last night.

Quite a number of our people have signed an agreement to contribute one dollar per month to assist the new band until it gets on its feet, so to speak.

The Acme Manufacturing Company, and the Con-Es-Tee Chemical Company, of Wilmington, have our thanks for calendars for 1912, which are the prettiest we have seen.

We heard a member of the Industrial and Commercial Club yesterday discussing some of the young fellows around town who have not quite arrived at the voting age. He said that when he joined he paid the initiation fee and had paid his dues regularly ever since, but when he got off and felt like enjoying a game of pool he was forced to forego the pleasure as the table was kept busy by the young fellows who did not belong to anything. He said the members of the club had about abandoned the sport as these fellows had taken charge of the room.

One night during the Christmas holidays two young men were surprised to find upon returning that their beds had been well supplied with holly leaves between the sheets. A number of young ladies were boarding at the same place and that settled the matter. Nothing was said about it, but the young men did not forget it. They simply waited until they supposed the ladies had forgotten about it and one night this week decided to get revenge. They used the rosin string and tin can gag on a window of the ladies' room. About the second sound caused a sound to come from within. It was some one jumping out of bed. Another sound of the can caused another sound in the room. That was a scream and a rush for the landlady's room. The landlady had been made wise and the tin can with its string had been hastily transferred to a window of her room. When the noise was heard again it is said there were four ladies occupying one bed on short notice. The fun did not stop there for the young men were suspected and arrangements were hastily made to give them a good scare. An officer went and read a fake warrant to one of them citing him to appear in court at a certain hour. He lost no time in informing his pal who lost no time in packing his grip preparatory to leaving town in a hurry. Both were ready to leave before breakfast, but the landlady got on and let the young man know it was all a joke. Otherwise there would have been two vacancies in town which could not have been filled that day.

The Coca-Cola Bottling Company is fast getting its plant in shape for business in one of the new brick buildings near the Seaboard passenger station, and expect to be ready for business by the last of next week, if nothing unforseen prevents.

Some months ago Mrs. Samuel Edwards and little child were on their way from Burlington to Lumberton and while traveling over the Coast Line a window which was shoved up, fell and badly mashed the end of one of the child's fingers. Mr. Edwards put the matter into a Burlington lawyer's hands to recover damages. Yesterday Mr. Edwards received a letter from the attorney stating that the company had agreed to give them $50. He enclosed voucher to be signed and returned, stating that when they got the money they would "whack up."

The rise in the price of cotton has caused a good bit of it to be moved during the last few days, but it is to be hoped that the farmers will not bite at the bait that is now being thrown to them. One of the largest fertilizer dealers here stated this week that there would be a fourth if not a third less fertilizers used this year than last.

Mr. George McNeill, who has been connected with the light and power plant for the past year, has resigned to accept a similar position at the Lumberton Cotton Mills, and will be succeeded by Mr. J. C. Maxwell. The change will not be made until March 1st, but in the meantime Mr. Maxwell is familiarizing himself with the work. Mr. McNeill is an exceptionally good man and the cotton mill is to be congratulated.

Mr. W. A. Scott, Assistant State Insurance Commissioner, has been a Lumberton visitor this week, but as well pour water on a duck's back expecting it to stay there as to expect to learn from him who or what he is looking after. We know him of old.

Mr. H. M. McAllister spent yesterday in Fayetteville, going over in his automobile.

Miss Rise Woodward, who has been spending some time with her sister, Mrs. Lloyd Townsend, returned to her home at Morganton this week.

Mr. W. K. Bethune, of the Robesonian, attended the Presbyterian Laymen's Missionary Convention which was held in Chattanooga this week—Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Wright, who had been visiting relatives here for several days, returned this week to their home at Bluefield, W. Va.—Mr. C. M. Fuller returned from the Western markets yesterday where he purchased over 50 horses and mules for his sales stables. The recent rise in cotton seems to have put new life into the farmers and the demand for live stock is greatly improved.

One of the much discussed gum vending machines which arrived in town some days ago, is out of business already and the boys will have to hunt some other place to see their little change leave them

In the Spring of 1896 while we were working in Wilmington, Bob Brenson, a colored man, who was at that time porter for Brown & Roddick, gave us what we thought was an unusually pretty fice puppy. We sent it to our home in Lumberton where it grew up, becoming a pet of the family. It remained here for nearly 16 years, having died this week. The little fellow got so feeble he could hardly get up when down, grew deaf and went blind. We helped him leave by the chloroform route.

Mr. John T. Singletary, formerly clerk in the sheriff's office, was in town this week, having just recovered from a mild attack of smallpox.

Mr. Tompkins, who recently took a position in the offices of the Lumberton, Dresden and Jennings Cotton Mill, has resigned and returned with his family to his old home in Baltimore.

Mr. C. P. Stephens and family moved from the country yesterday into their home in town recently purchased from Mr. Chas. Parker. We regret to report Mr. Stephens as being seriously sick.

Snow began falling here at 6 o'clock this evening, accompanied by a fierce gale of wind. At 8 o'clock everything is white and the streets are practically deserted. It is one of the worst nights of the Winter.

"Mob the umpire, if you don't like his decision," is the LaFollette war cry.—Philadelphia Record.

Medicine Used in Rural Districts

Over 35 per cent of the population of the United States are said to live in rural districts remote from physicians or drug stores and they are obliged to depend upon proprietary medicines to a very great extent.

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ATTACK ON BRYAN.

Dies of Texas Called Him an Evil Genius.

Washington, Feb. 10.—The evil genius hovering on the flanks of Democracy" was the way in which Representative Dies, of Texas, in the House today described William J. Bryan. Mr. Dies was speaking of the Commoner's latest attack upon the Democratic membership of the House.

Both Democrats and Republican cheered Mr. Dies' declaration that he "neither feared the power nor respected the judgment" of the Nebraskan; and his further announcement that Democracy, under the leadership of Champ Clark and Oscar W. Underwood was headed toward complete success swept the Democratic side of the House into storms of applause.

Mr. Dies' attack upon Mr. Bryan followed the latter's declaration in the last issue of the Commoner that the 12 Democrats who voted against a recent amendment in the House to require publicity of all recommendations to the President on judgeship appointments were "unworthy to represent a Democratic constituency."

"If Mr. Bryan had spent as much time reading law as he had attacking Democrats in public life," said Mr. Dies, "he would have known that the proposed law would be unconstitutional and an infringement of the President's rights."

San Antonio, Tex., Feb. 10.—Wm. J. Bryan today intimated his willingness to testify before the House committee which will investigate charges of the existence of a money trust. He declared he would reserve anything he might say until he should appear before the committee.

Mr. Bryan declared that the resolution introduced yesterday by Representative Pujo, in connection with the money trust investigation, vindicated the position taken by Congressman Henry.

"The Pujo resolution," he said, "is not comprehensive enough to meet the requirements of the situation. It shows that there was reason to doubt the banking committee's sympathy with the investigation of the board. The question now is how complete the investigation will be."

When shown an Associated Press dispatch telling of Martin Dies' denunciation of him in the House, Mr. Bryan said: "That may be called not important, if true. Is not Dies a representative from the number district of Texas?"

He was answered in the affirmative and declined to make any further comment.

Bryan reached here on his way to Tucson, Ariz., late today.

WELL RECEIVED.

"Rock Hill Plan" Meeting With Great Success.

New Orleans, Feb. 10.—Completing a whirlwind itinerary through 11 of the cotton belt States in the interest of the Rock Hill Plan of cotton acreage reduction, E. J. Watson, Commissioner of Agriculture of South Carolina, and president of the Southern Cotton Congress, accompanied by John G. Anderson, of Rock Hill, S. C., originator of the plan, arrived in New Orleans tonight.

Conferences were held with State officials and those interested in the staple in a number of cities and according to Mr. Watson, much enthusiasm in the scheme was manifested in each place visited.

"The result of our trip has been far more successful than we anticipated," said Mr. Watson. "Everywhere great interest was aroused and the plan was received with much enthusiasm."

Mr. Watson and Mr. Anderson will leave for South Carolina tomorrow morning.

WILSON IN ILLINOIS.

The Governor Will Speak in Chicago on Lincoln's Birthday.

Chicago, Feb. 10.—Governor Woodrow Wilson, of New Jersey, will open his campaign in Illinois for the Democratic Presidential nomination Monday, Lincoln's birthday, when he will be the guest of the Iroquois Club at a luncheon and deliver the principal address.

He will arrive in Chicago early Monday morning from Kentucky and will leave for the East immediately after the luncheon.

There will be a large number of guests at the luncheon, including Edward F. Dunne and Samuel Alschuler, two of the Democratic candidates for nomination for Governor of Illinois.

A man may be grateful for what he receives, but it is difficult for him to be thankful for things that are withheld.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free.

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Ar. Chicago	5:00 p m	7:30 a m
Ar. St. Louis	6:25 p m	2:30 a m

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Anyone wishing to make a trial of this remedy before buying it in the regular way of a druggist at fifty cents or one dollar a large bottle (family size) can have a sample bottle sent to the home free of charge by simply addressing Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 405 Washington St., Monticello, Ill. Your name and address on a postal card will do.

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DEPARTURES	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS
No. 90, ‡ 3:40 A. M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad. No. 91 leaves Norfolk 3:35 P. M. and Richmond 4:10 P. M.)	No. 91, a 1:00 A. M.
No. 51, 5:35 A. M.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and Columbia, open to receive passengers at Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and may be occupied until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50, *11:59 P. M.
No. 64, ‡ 5:50 A. M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate Stations.	No. 65, ‡ 6:50 P. M.
No. 48, * 8:40 A. M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. Pullman Parlor Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York Trains with Pullman Service.	No. 49, * 6:15 P. M.
No. 53, * 8:45 A. M.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52, * 3:05 P. M.
No. 55, * 3:15 P. M.	Chadbourn, Conway (‡) Florence, Charleston, Savannah, All Florida Points, Columbia, Asheville and the West. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia.	No. 54, 1:40 P. M.
No. 62, * 3:25 P. M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate Stations.	No. 63, *12:50 P. M.
No. 59, ‡ 6:30 P. M.	Fayetteville, Sanford and Intermediate Stations.	No. 60, ‡10:15 A. M.
No. 42, * 7:00 P.M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains, with Pullman and Dining Car Service. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41, * 9:45 A. M.
No. 57, ‡ 7:30 P. M.	Chadbourn, Conway and Intermediate Stations.	No. 58, ‡ 8:30 A. M.

* Daily. ‡Daily except Sunday. a Daily except Monday.

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IN EFFECT DECEMBER 4, 1911.
Winter Park, Wrightsville, Wrightsville Beach and Intermediate Points.

EAST BOUND.			WEST BOUND.		
Leave Wilmington for Winter Park	Leave Wilmington for Wrightsville	Leave Wilmington for Wrightsville Beach	Leave Winter Park for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville Beach for Wilmington
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No. 39—3:25 P. M.—For Charlotte, connecting at Hamlet with through trains for Atlanta, Birmingham, Jacksonville, Norfolk, New York, and trains in all directions. Arrive Hamlet 7:40 P. M.; leave Hamlet, 8:00 P. M.; arrive Charlotte, 10:50 P. M.

Trains Arrive at Wilmington:

No. 40—12:30 P. M.—From Charlotte.

No. 44—12:10 A. M.—From Charlotte and intermediate points.

No. 45 connects at Hamlet with No. 65, for all points North; at Monroe, with No. 53, for Atlanta.

No. 39 connects at Hamlet with No. 41, for Atlanta, Birmingham and Memphis; No. 84, for Washington and New York; No. 32, for Portsmouth, Norfolk, and No. 43, for Columbia, Savannah and Jacksonville.

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Sunday, February 11, 1912.

Blow and go, and go and blow. Everything goes and everything blows in a town that grows.

An Arkansas girl received an axe as a present and an exchange inquires what it signifies. Well, if she is an extravagant girl it might be a hint that she ought to cut down expenses.

We rather think that Secretary Wilson's greatest trouble is in the kind of men who have "messed" for years in the affairs of the Agricultural Department. They have been his Jonahs. It is astounding how many absolutely unscrupulous men manage to get into authoritative places at Washington. Political juggling is responsible for it.

If "North Carolina sits at the head of the table" it is no credit to her unless the table is supplied with what can be produced at home. North Carolina ought to be ashamed to sit at the head of the table and call on the waiter for oleomargarine and Chicago "backband." We must have more bread and less brag if we are to sit "at the head of the table."

The Lorimer investigation is nearing a close. Whatever will be the result, a huge book containing the testimony will be published. It will contain more lies and perjured statements than any volume ever published in America. Lovers of truth and honesty must be shocked at the facility and abandon displayed by many of those witnesses in the art of lying.

With produce distrfbuting plans being adopted by the Farmers' Union in North Carolina, by the fruit growers of Western North Carolina and other agricultural interests in the South putting them in operation for the protection of producers, it is time for the strawberry growers of Eastern North Carolina to get right behind the East Carolina Truck and Fruit Growers' Association.

President Taft passes on the qualifications of judges before they are appointed. Acting as one man, he is as liable to make as big a mistake as all the people might make if they were to recall the judges on the ground of their unfitness. It has been customary for newspapers to praise the judicial appointments of the President, but we fail to see that he has done any better than most of the other Presidents—Grover Cleveland, for instance.

Cities and towns lay great stress on rail and water transportation. If the farmers do not interest themselves in rural transportation they will get behind the times. Good roads will provide rural transportation, and they are economical for the reason that a farmer can do his hauling and traveling at less expense. A city without transportation will amount to nothing. Neither will a country which continues to put up with roads which make hauling and traveling expensive.

In view of the proposition to establish a municipally owned meat market in Greensboro, Col. Al Fairbrother announces his candidacy for soup-bone inspector. He writes to the Greensboro News to denounce certain "canards" which miltate against his landing the job. We do not hesitate to say that the "progressives" of Greensboro should be careful how they place any man in charge of their soup bones unless he shows by the record that the octopus looks on him as its personal enemy. With a man who is not sufficiently wall-eyed to scare off the enemies of the people, the octopus might get in the market and crawl over every soup bone to be found in the joint.

THIRTY YEARS OF SOUTHERN PROGRESS

Owing to the fact that the Manufacturers' Record will celebrate its thirtieth anniversary on the 22nd of February, its able editor, Col. Richard H. Edmonds, announces that an event so conspicuous will be marked by the publication of a review of the South's progress for 30 years.

This review will be contained in a book under the title of "Tihrty Years of Southern Upbuilding," and it is superfluous to say that publicationwill be of such a character that every Southerner, whether he be a professional man, a banker, a capitalist, a manufacturer, a farmer or a constructionist, will be interested in a work of such great scope and practical information.

"Thirty Years of Southern Upbuilding" really will be a comprehensive history of Southern progress, grouping the South's financial, industrial, agricultural, and substantial development in a comparative way that will best show the marvelous achievements of this country in little more than a quarter of a century. It is needless to say that a work of such a character should be in the hands of all who have had a hand in the marvelous achievements of which Col. Edmonds writes. Those who are beginning to take part in the still greater development of the South, as well as those coming upon the threshold of the complete realization of Southern resources, will find in his book great inspiration as well as history of a kind that every Southerner should know.

In the prospectus for "Thirty Years of Southern Upbuilding" it is announced that "only by contrasting the South of today with the South of thirty years ago can one get a viewpoint from which to study the progress that has been made and to forecast the future." We quote further:

"Marvelous things have been achelved. Still more marvelous achievements will be made. Much has been done, but there are limitless resources to be developed; limitless opportunities to be utilized. The cumulative power of the work for Southern upbunding of the last third of a century is beginning to have its full effect. The attention of the whole world is now being centered on the South. As never before, capitalists, manufacturers, merchants, investors, farmers and health-seekers are studying the South. Without fully understanding the work of the past thirty years no one can correctly measure the possibilities of the future. One must know the progress made and the resources in soil, climate, minerals and waterpowers awaiting utilization, in order to rightly understand the situation. In order to meet this need, the Manufacturers' Record is preparing to publish, in celebration of its thirtieth birthday, "Thirty Years of Southern Upbuilding," under which general title will be graphically presented the advance in the material upbuilding of this section, with a broad survey of its vast and varied resources and advantages."

It is needless to say that such a publication will be epoch making, and, indeed, it would be difficult to put an estimate upon so valuable a work for the South, knowing like we do that Editor Edmonds' master hand is to furnish such a comprehensive survey of the South's achievements. No man has such a grasp upon the South's progress, and there is no authority so completely posted as to the match less possibilities and opportunities of the Southern States.

Men of affairs, statisticians, students of Southern progress, writers on the South's resources, educators, speakers, and public men will find the book a treasure house from which to take facts and draw inspiration and confidence. The price of the book in paper covers will be 50 cents; in cloth, $1.25, and in Russia leather, $2. Such a work is not only worth preserving as a ready reference book for the business man, capitalist, manufacturer, and well posted man, but in its best binding it will be a handsome and valuable acquisition for the library.

The book will be out February 22nd, and orders for it can be addressed to the Manufacturers' Record, Baltimore, Maryland.

PRACTICAL DISTRIBUTION OF FARM PRODUCTS.

Dr. H. Q. Alexander, of Charlotte, president of the North Carolina Farmers' Union, is doing a splendid work in educating the farmers up to the importance of securing practical and practicable distribution for their products. The proposed farmers' warehouse plan involves the matter of practical distribution, lack of which is a lamentable cause of the backwardness of the farming interests of this State.

The question of distribution is largely entering into the prosperity of agriculture in North Carolina and our farmers must wake up to its importance if they are to get the best results from their farms. Practical distribution is now making assets of what has been a neglected feature on the farms. Not so long ago the butter and egg products of the farms in Catawba county were not taken into consideration on the farms. The few eggs lugged in baskets and small lots of butter hawked to market were considered more trouble than anything else, hence an important part of farming received no consideration. The whole trouble laid in the lack of practicable distribution. The Catawba farmers, however, organized a co-operative dairy and at once settled the question of distribution. Now they send their milk to the dairy to be made into butter and they send their chickens and eggs along to be marketed according to a system that makes their butter and poultry products an asset. The simple question of distribution offered one more source of profit to the Catawba farmers and they are availing themselves of it in a way that makes the dairying and poultry business a feature of their farming.

North Carolina farmers are opening their eyes to the question of distribution and rural transportation—good roads for hauling their produce and a distributing plan to get the best results. Western North Carolina produces the finest kinds of apples and other fruits, but they have never been a source of profit for lack of co-operative distribution. The same can be said about North Carolina's fine mountain cabbage, buckwheat and other products. Now, however, the farmers are getting their eyes opened to the advantage of effective distributing plans, so at Wilkesboro on Wednesday last the fruit growers got together and organized a fruit growers' association. With a distributing plan, they can turn their apples and other fruit products into profit and make North Carolina what it ought to be—the finest apple growing region in this country.

It is time for the strawberry and small fruit and truck producers of eastern North Carolina to perk up and have a proper conception of the importance of intelligent and practical distribution. They were among the pioneers in organizing a distributing plan under the auspices of the East Carolina Truck and Fruit Growers' Association, but we regret to say they have not seemed to fully appreciate the purpose and importance of their valuable association. It has not gone to pieces, but its efficiency has been greatly impaired for lack of proper support.

The Star understands that the nucleus of the truckers' association has been preserved and that it is still prepared to operate under a charter that would make one of the strongest associations of the kind in the South. Lack of support, however, makes its existence precarious, and it would be a fatal mistake to let it go into dissolution.

Our truck and berry men should wake up to their opportunity and reorganize their association without delay. It will never do to abandon what live people everywhere are recognizing as a strong factor in profitable operations on the farms. Inasmuch as the strawberry industry is alone worth $1,000,000 to eastern North Carolina, and as the shipping season will commence in sixty days, there should be an immediate movement towards putting the East Carolina Truck and Fruit Growers' Association on a solid and lasting basis.

WATER FRONT QUESTION.

Savannah is making great progress in her plans to build up a greater port and develop to the fullest the commercial potentialities of that South Atlantic outlet to ocean traffic. It is interesting to watch the progress of our neighboring ports, and, moreover, it is really gratifying that some of them are moving forward in their purposes and plans to make the South a great commercial portion of this country. The South has made marvelous industrial, agricultural, and educational progress, and it must not fail to reap its share of the great commercial development upon which this country is entering in view of the completion of the Panama Canal in the early part of the coming year.

The business men of Savannah seem to be thoroughly awake to the opportunities of their port, and as an evidence of it a delegation will visit Washington tomorrow to confer with the board of engineers of the War Department concerning Savannah's harbor extension plan. Savannah's Senators and Representatives will take part in the conference and press upon the board the importance of the greater harbor development of the Georgia port. Savannah's plan involves the extension of the harbor two miles up the Savannah river.

Savannah has not only made notable progress in commerce, but the water terminals of the harbor have undergone a vast improvement. An article, with handsome illustrations, appearing in the Manufacturers' Record of last Wednesday, gives us an idea of the splendid terminals of the Seaboard Air Line, a harbor facility that means much to the port.

The Star has contained enough to fill a book concerning the needs of harbor improvements at Wilmington, and it will be encouraging to the upbuilders of Wilmington to again have their attention called to that matter in connection with the activity of the port makers at Savannah.

Senator Lorimer says a man can legitimately spend $10,000 to get elected to Congress. A man who would spend that much just to go to Congress might spend every dollar of it in a legitimate way but his election would prove that it was his money that got him there. Men who have to spend that much to get an office ought to be kept out of it for the reason that it would be proof that he counts more on money than brains to influence the voters of the country.

Take care of your pennies—and the chances are your dollars will be blown in by your heirs.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Senator Simmons complains that there is an effort on the part of some Washington news correspondent to deprive him of credit for the work he has done toward the proposition to establish a $3,500,000 harbor of refuge at Cape Lookout. He should get full credit for what he has done on that line, and also full responsibility for its effect on the ports of Wilmington and Newbern, if it results in withdrawal of the revenue cutters and moves the custom houses; and prevents the coaling station at Southport. Some of these disasters would probably follow the consummation of the Cape Lookout plans.—Maxton Scottish Chief.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Announcements by Wilmington Pastors for Pulpits Today.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Market and Seventeenth streets.—Services at 11 A. M. and 8:15 P. M. Subject of Lesson Sermon, "Spirits." All are invited.

St. John's church, Third and Red Cross streets, Rev. W. E. Cox, rector.—Morning service and sermon at 11 A. M. Sunday school, 4 P. M. No night service on account of the Missionary meeting at the Academy of Music. All are cordially invited.

Trinity Methodist church, corner Ninth and Market streets, Rev. E. C. Sell, pastor.—Preaching at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school, at 3:30 P. M. Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Epworth League meeting Friday evening at 8 o'clock. All the members are urged to attend. Strangers cordially invited. Everybody welcome.

St. Thomas' church, Dock near Second street.—Mass, 9 A. M. Instructions on Catholic doctrine and benediction, 8 P. M.

Christian church, Dock street, near Fourth, H. C. Bowen, pastor.—Sunday school, 9:45 A. M., H. A. DeCover, superintendent.—Preaching at 11 A. M. Christian Endeavor at 6:45 P. M. Prayer meeting, Thursday, at 8 P. M. A hearty welcome to all.

St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral, Fifth and Ann streets.—First mass, 7 A. M. Last mass and sermon, 10:30 A. M. Vespers, sermon: "The Value of the Human Soul," 8 P. M. Services conducted by Rev. John Handly.

St. James' church, Rev. Wm. H. Milton, D. D., rector.—Morning prayer and address at 11. No services at night; missionary mass meeting at Academy of Music instead. A cordial welcome to all.

Grace M. E. church, corner Fourth and Grace streets, Rev. J. C. Wooten, pastor.—11 A. M. service will be conducted by the pastor. Evening service will unite with other churches at the Academy of Music in the Laymen's Missionary Movement. Sunday school, 3:30 P. M., L. B. Rogers, superintendent.

St. Paul's Lutheran church, corner of Sixth and Market streets, Rev. W. A. Snyder, D. D., pastor.—English morning service with sermon by the Rev. E. T. Horn D. D., at 11 A. M. Sunday school, 3:30 P. M. The congregation will join in the missionary mass meeting at the Academy of Music at night. A cordial invitation to all. Seats free.

Brooklyn Baptist church, southeast corner of Fourth and Brunswick streets, Rev. J. A. Sullivan, pastor.—Services Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, and evening at 7:30 o'clock. Subject, morning sermon: "She Hath Done What She Could." Sunday school at 3:30 o'clock. Mr. S. F. Garrison, superintendent. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. B. Y. P. U. Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Visitors and strangers always welcome.

VIRGINIA BASEBALL FIGHT.

Old League Succeeded by Virginia League Association.

Lynchburg, Va., Feb. 10.—The action of the National Baseball Commission today in upholding the National board in its adjustment of the long fight in Virginia baseball, means the final disruption of the old Virginia League, which is now succeeded by the Virginia League Association, organized here two weeks ago. This circuit is composed of Richmond, Lynchburg and Danville, the clubs succeeding from the old league and Newport News, with protection also for Portsmouth and Suffolk.

Under the order of the board, Roanoke, Norfolk and Petersburg are given until Monday to file petitions for membership in the new league. Norfolk complied today and the others are expected to do so shortly. This will give seven towns and will either force Roanoke out or compel the new league to enlarge to eight clubs by the addition of Portsmouth. The whole matter will be adjusted within the next week or ten days.

Cincinnati, O., Feb. 10.—It was announced today that the dispute in the Virginia Baseball League had been decided and that according to a ruling which will be handed down later by the National Baseball Commission, President C. R. Williams, of the Virginia League, will have to step down and out, while it will remain for the Roanoke, Petersburg and Norfolk clubs of the league to do what they desire with their clubs. This means that they can either come into the Virginia League with a new set of officers, or be out of business for the coming year. The ruling comes as officially upholding a ruling of the National Association which some time ago sent Dr. Frank Carson, president of the Central League into Virginia in an effort to reconcile the battling factions. Carson's report favored the Richmond, Lynchburg and Danville faction and accordingly the National Association decided that they could organize a league of their own if they desired. The commission will uphold the ruling, although the Roanoke, Petersburg and Norfolk clubs will not be barred in case they decide to come in under new officials of the league.

In his appeal to the commission President Williams insisted on remaining its president until some tangible charges could be brought against him that would warrant him being let out, or his resignation.

CIVIL SERVICE RULES.

An Amendment Relating to Removals and No Discrimination.

Washington, Feb. 10.—An amendment of the civil service rules relating to removals, which assures persons in the government service that "no discrimination shall be exercised for political or religious reasons," was promulgated by President Taft today.

The amended rule "will result in giving absolute security within legal limits to government employes, safeguarding them against removal for caprice," says a statement issued today by the Civil Service Commission.

"In making this," it adds, "the President has published an emancipation proclamation for the benefit of government employes and has evidenced his high regard for the least right of the humblest man and for the right observance of the law."

Blamed a Good Worker.

"I blamed my heart for severe distress in my left side for two years," writes W. Evans, Danville, Va., "but I know now it was indigestion, as Dr. King's New Life Pills completely cured me." Best for stomach, liver and kidney troubles, constipation, headache or debility, 25c at R. R. Bellamy.

WHITE SALE

Muslin Underwear, Corsets, Linens, Sheets, Sheeting; Shirting, Cambrics, Long Cloths, Lawns; Batiste; Shirt Waists and Skirts.

HERE IS PRESENTED A SURPRISING SELECTION OF NEW WHITE FABRICS FOR GARMENT-MAKING AND HOUSEHOLD USE, TOGETHER WITH A CLOSED BANK OF NEW MUSLIN UNDER-GARMENTS, AND WAIST AND SKIRTS. THESE CLEAN, CRISP WHITE GOODS ARE A SHOWING OF PEERLESS WHITE BEAUTY. THE ANNUAL WHITE SALE BEGINS MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH.

10c Poe Mill Bleaching, 10 yards for 70c
36-inch. white Linene, 12c values, for 9 1-2c
36-inch. wide white Creole Linen, 15c value, for 11 1-2c
36-inch. white Flaxon, 19c value, for 11 1-2c
36-inch. Pure Linen, 35c value, for 23c
36-inch. white Round Thread Handkerchiefs, Linene finish, 19c value, for 13 1-2c
39-inch. Kilkenny Linen Suiting, 15c value, for 10c
36-inch. "Lyklinen" special luster, 25c value, for 19c
36-inch. white Lawn, in short length, 10c values, white Sale price 6 1-2c
10c white Indian Linen, White Sale price 7 1-2c

35c white French Batiste, White Sale price 25c
19c white India Linen, White Sale price 19c
56-inch. white Table Damask, White Sale price 19c
70-inch. white Table Damask, 85c value, White Sale price. 69c
65c white Tailored Shirt Waist, White Sale 50c
$1.25 white fancy trimmed Waist, white sale 98c
$1.50 white fancy lace and embroidery trimmed Waist, White Sale $1.29
$1.50 white Linene Skirts, White Sale 98c
$1.25 Long Cloth, 12-yard pieces, White Sale 98c
$2.00 Long Cloth, 12-yard pieces, White Sale $1.48
8c stripe and check Nainsook, for 5c

MUSLIN UNDERWEAR.
59c white Muslin Gowns, White Sale 39c
75c white Muslin Gowns, White Sale 48c
$1.50 white Muslin Gowns, White Sale 98c
25c Corset Covers, White Sale 19c
75c Corset Covers, White Sale 48c
25c white Muslin Drawers White Sale 19c
35c white Muslin Drawers, White Sale 23c
85c white Muslin Drawers, White S le 69c
65c white Muslin Skirts, White Sale 48c
$1.50 white Muslin Skirts, White Sale 98c
85c white Muslin Princess Slips, White Sale 59c

J. H. Rehder & Co.
Popular Department Store.

LEONIDAS LIVINGSTON DEAD

Represented Fifth Georgia District for a Long Time

Washington, Feb. 11.—Leonidas F. Livingston, who represented the Fifth Georgia district in Congress during the 52nd and 61st Congresses, inclusive, died here at 12:23 o'clock this (Sunday) morning from arterial sclerosis. He was a native of Covington, Ga., where his home is located, and was 79 years of age. Interment will be at Covington, probably Wednesday. 19-1wa- gcyfl etaoin etaoin etaoi etaoi

Mr. Livingston, who is survived by a wife, three sons and a daughter, came to Washington from his Georgia home the first of the year to consult his physician here. After having served in the National House of Representatives for 20 years, Mr. Livingston was defeated at the last election by William S. Howard. He served through the Civil War as a private in the Confederate army.

Vanderbilt, Ala., Feb. 10.—Miss Pauline Strickland, daughter of Professor N. M. Strickland, was awakened by a negro burglar in her room early today and as she screamed to her sister, occupying the room with her, the negro fired, seriously wounding the young woman. The negro escaped, leaving his shoes behind. Miss Strickland was taken to a hospital in Birmingham for treatment.

New York, Feb. 10.—The statement of the clearing house banks for the week shows that the banks hold $40,945,800 reserve in excess of legal requirements. This is a decrease of $5,069,200 in the proportionate cash reserve as compared with last week.

COUNTING THE COST.

A great deal is said about the cost of living, but few families or individuals can tell what it costs them to live. They know how much they spend, but what portion actually goes for living expenses they do not know.

A Personal Checking Account at the Bank makes it easy to go over the Check Stubs at the end of the month and learn just how much it cost to live. By this method one often finds expenses that can be reduced or avoided entirely and the money saved. We furnish convenient pocket check books.

The Southern National Bank

REAL OR FALSE?

Sometimes it is hard to tell when one has false teeth. That shows good Dentistry. We defy any ordinary person to tell our work from natural teeth because we have experience in skilled work only, and can imitate Nature perfectly. We are experts in every branch of Dentistry, from painless extraction to crown and bridge work. Charge very reasonable.

All work Guaranteed.

DR. CULBRETH'S Dental Parlors
Front and Princess Sts.

Pro-Phy-Tol

In Liquid Paste and Powder.

It Destroys Dangerous Mouth Germs.

Mission Pharmacy

"For He's a Jolly Good Fellow"

Sounds mighty good, while it lasts—but there's nothing to it. The "morning after" old R. E. Morse takes hold and brings the thought of wasted Hours, mistaken Pleasures and Dollars thrown away.

Cut it out, Young Man—Save those hours; save yourself, and save those Dollars.

Deposit them in this bank. They may start you on the Road to Success.

Four Per Cent. Compound Interest on All Deposits at the

HOME SAVINGS BANK
115 N. Front Street—Orton Bldg.

DAVID'S

You can save some clothes money now

THIS is the time when you can buy good clothes for very little money. It's our clean up time; we dont like to have winter goods here when the spring goods arrive.

Hart Schaffner & Marx

clothes are always a good "buy;" the money is in them at the regular prices.

Now we're increasing the value you get by reducing the prices.

See Our Windows for Prices.

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Skirts & Shirt Waists

We are showing an elegant line of high class, strictly tailored Skirts, in Black, Navy, Tan and Grey Mixtures.

Also beautiful Shirt Waists. Latest 1912 Styles, in Silks, Nets, Marquisettes and Lingeries.

A. D. BROWN Dry Goods Co.

"The Modest-Price Store."

Agents American Lady Corsets, Black Cat Hosiery and Butterick Patterns.

LOCAL POLITICAL SITUATION

Candidates for Appointment as Delegates to National Democratic Convention—The Situation Locally

Thougt to all outward appearances there have been no new developments in the situation, those who have their fingers on the political pulse are aware that it is rapidly quickening; that the battle lines for the coming campaign are being firmly and sharply drawn in the ranks of the local politicians, and that those who will participate actively are already getting their cohorts in shape for the struggle.

It is known for a fact that two candidates for appointment as delegates to the National Democratic convention, to be held in Baltimore June 25, are already out in the open in this district, in the persons of Mr. Frank Stedman and Mr. Joe Underwood, both of Cumberland county. It is also reported that Hon. Jno. D. Bellamy, of this city, would not object to being named as a delegate from the State at large or from this district. Another rumor in local circles is that Mr. W. B. Cooper, president of the American National Bank and the W. B. Cooper Company, wholesale grocers, is to oppose Marsden Bellamy, Esq., who is an avowed candidate for the Upper House of the General Assembly from this district.

Then, too, the Senatorial race between Governor W. W. Kitchin, ex-Governor Chas. B. Aycock, Senator F. M. Simmons and Chief Justice Walter Clark, is being discussed warmly in the camps of the local Democrats. Senator Simmons has a large following in this section, and his friends are not in idleness as the campaign is getting underway. It is probable that the majority of the votes in this immediate section will be divided between the Governor and Senator Simmons, with the latter probably in the lead, according to the estimates of shrewd observers not especially interested in the cause of either man.

Confined strictly to the local field, there are few actual open developments; though rumors are as plentiful as the seeds in a watermelon. While Mr. Cooper, who is one of the foremost and most influential business men of the city, has not actually announced his candidacy for the Senate, it is a known fact that many of his friends have asked him to run and it is said that he is considering the matter very seriously. Both he and Marsden Bellamy, Esq., the only candidate in the open thus far, are strong men and would control a large vote at the primary. As yet Woodus Kellum, Esq., who represented New Hanover county in the lower House in the last General Assembly, is the only avowed candidate for the House, but it is said that he is practically certain to have opposition.

A rumor that is being persistently circulated here as well as elsewhere in the State, and one that is said to have a foundation, is that Thomas Settle, Esq., of Buncombe county, will be a candidate for the Republican nomination for Governor and that he will make his race on a local option platform. This report has caused considerable comment in local Democratic circles. It is said that Mr. Settle is willing to make the race if the local option plank is included in the platform, but not otherwise, and many declare for this reason that he will not be the nominee, for they argue that the Republican party is committed to prohibition just as much so as the Democratic party, and cannot afford to break faith with the temperance people. However, it is generally admitted by politicians of both parties here that if Settle runs on a local option platform, he will get many votes.

Overshadowed by the four-cornered Senatorial race and the Presidential question also the Democratic nomination for Governor has not thus far attracted a great amount of attention. Locke Craig, Esq., of Buncombe, who was defeated by Governor Kitchin for the nomination in 1908, is a candidate and Hon. W. C. Newland, of Caldwell, the present Lieutenant Governor, is also a candidate. It is thought that Craig will be the nominee this year, as most of the Democrats look upon the party as being committed to support him. However, it is hinted that the Senatorial fight may have some bearing on his aspirations, in the event of possible developments. Mr. A. H. Eller, of Winston-Salem, chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee, has issued a call for the committee to meet in March and select a date for the State convention, and when that is set it is probable that the developments will be more rapid.

LECTURE ON PANAMA CANAL

Will Be Delivered at High School by Civil Engineer Wyndham

The story and the progress and development of the Panama canal under the direction of the United States government is one in which the people of Wilmington are particularly interested. It is said that no man in the country is better prepared to explain and describe this stupendous undertaking than Civil Engineer K. C. Wyndham, who will lecture at the auditorium of the Wilmington High School, under the auspices of the school authorities, on Friday, February 16th. From private letters and press notices, the school authorities are assured of a most entertaining and instructive lecture.

The first entertainment at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon will be primarily for the school children, while the night lecture which begins at 8:30 will be for patrons and citizens generally. The 25 cents tickets, however, are good for either the afternoon or night lecture. The stereopticon views, which accompany the lecture, are exceptionally fine, and the speaker's explanation of them will be all that could be asked.

The price of admission for Grammar school children is 10 cents; for High School students, 15 cents, and tickets for adults, 25 cents, the two last being good for either afternoon or night performance. The proceeds from this lecture are to be used for school room decoration purposes, an enterprise which deserves the encouragement and help of everyone. Tickets may be bought from school children, and at the book stores of C. W. Yates & Co., and Mr. DeRosset.

SNOW COVERS GROUND AGAIN

Several Inches Deep Underfoot at Late Hour Last Night and Was Still Falling—Record-Breaking Winter

Bleak Winter once more, and in the short space of 24 hours the smiling face of this particular section of the Sunny South has been transformed for the second time since the New Year into a passable imitation of the frozen white vision of the icy North. At 8 o'clock last night four-tenths of an inch of snow covered the ground and the mercury was hovering around 25, with indications that the storm had only gotten fairly under way.

Once more this Winter the average citizen will spend his Sunday holiday seated with the members of his family around the hearth, the while breathing fervent and profane opinions of a Spring that will not come and watching with a doleful cast of countenance his bank account go swirling up the chimney in the form of soft coal smoke. Also, many a citizen will remember today, as he makes his way along the icy pavements with flocks of shivers cavorting gleefully up and down his spine, that only a few weeks ago, on a bright and sunshiny day that breathed softly of coming Spring, that he laughed at the "myth" of the ground hog and his weather prophecy, and it's ten to one that he will revise his opinion of the ground hog. It is also not unlikely that he will wish to himself that he had followed the example of the ground hog and crawled into some convenient hole, or at least made sufficient preparations at the nearest clothing store for the cold weather that was to, and is, come. Yea, truly the ground hog has been vindicated. May he rest in peace for the remainder of the 40 days of Winter.

About mid-afternoon yesterday, out of the leaden-colored dome overhead, a few featherly flakes of snow came floating aimlessly down, to melt as they struck the streets and pavements. As the day wore on and the grey of twilight began to spread over the city the flakes increased in number; they began to fall swifter and faster, and on the wings of the— chill breeze that sprang up they swirled spitefully around the corners and snapped at the faces of pedestrians. At times the snowfall was almost a blinding blizzard; then again it would slacken into a light and aimless flurry, only to quicken up again after a short breathing spell. Late last night there were several inches of the "beautiful" on the ground, and still the flakes were coming down.

According to the weather forecast sent out by the Associated Press from Washington last night at 10 o'clock the snow is to continue falling today, though fair weather is hinted at for Monday. The forecast issued from the local weather bureau station yesterday morning prophecied snow for last night and today, with continued low temperatures and increasing northeast winds.

The mercury yesterday morning at 8 o'clock stood at 37 degrees above zero, and at 8 P. M., it registered 25, a drop of 12 degrees for the 12 hours. The maximum temperature yesterday was 39 and the mean 32.

With the present cold wave and snow storm the Winter of 1911-12 easily breaks all records for Wilmington for many years. It is an extremely unusual thing to have even one snow fall here a year, but when two occur, with the depth of the snow of January, and the depth that the present one promises to reach, there can be no doubt that this is the most severe Winter of years.

It is hardly likely that street car traffic will be blocked by this snow, as it was last month. Mr. A. B. Skelding, general manager of the Tidewater Power Company, stated that the company is now prepared for almost any kind of a snowfall. They have several snow plows on hand and good labor is plentiful. He declared that the public could at least count on car service.

SPEED ARTIST

On Typewriter Will Give Several Exhibitions Here Monday

Mr. Emil A. Trefzger, England's champion typist, will be here Monday. He will give several demonstrations on the Underwood typewriter. He will be at the City Livery Company at 10:30 A. M. for business men, at the High School at noon for the students, and at the Atlantic Coast Line offices in the afternoon. He is a wonderful typist and everybody is invited to see him.

The following records for the professional championship of the world New York city, October 26th, 1911, were made at Madison Square Garden, copying one hour from printed matter:

H. O. Blaisdell—Machine, Underwood; words, 7,077; errors, 69; penalty, 345; net words, 6,732; words per minute, 112.

Florence E. Wilson—Machine, Underwood; words, 7,270; errors, 131; penalty, 655; net words, 6,635; words per minute, 111.

Rose L. Fritz—Machine, Underwood; words, 6,936; errors, 104; penalty, 520; net words, 6,416; words per minute, 107.

Emil A. Trefzger—Machine, Underwood; words, 7,095; errors, 138; penalty, 690; net words, 6,405; words per minute, 107.

J. L. Hoyt—Machine, Underwood; words, 6,705; errors, 70; penalty, 350; net words, 6,355; words per minute 106.

FUNERAL OF MRS. LOFTIN

Services Held Yesterday Afternoon From the Family Residence

The funeral of Mrs. Edith M. Loftin, wife of Mr. E. S. Loftin, whose death occurred Friday night at 11 o'clock, was held from the family residence, No. 802 Dock street, yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Rev. Wm. E Cox, pastor of St. John's Episcopal church, conducted the services, which were attended by a large number of sorrowing relatives and friends. Interment was made in Oakdale cemetery and the pallbearers were Messrs. A. M. Hall, A. S. Holden, T. W. Wood, R. C. Merritt, D. H. Penton, and Carl J. Josenhans.

Annual White Sale starts Monday at Rehder's. **

APPEAL FOR FAMINE VICTIMS

Wilmington Chapter of Red Cross Society Anxious to Help Cause—Striking Communication Received by Bishop

The ladies of the Wilmington Chapter of the National Red Cross Society are very much interested in the campaign which is just now being vigorously pushed all over the United States for funds to relieve the terrible suffering incident to the famine in China and already upwards of a hundred dollars has been contributed through the local chapter for this most urgent charity.

The Star is very glad to announce that any further contributions will be thankfully received by the president, Mrs. Cuthbert Martin, or will be received at The Star office, duly acknowledged and transmitted to Mrs. Martin. The urgency of the appeal may be gathered from the following official statement and appeal issued by the Central China Famine Relief Committee, Carlowitz Building, Changhai, China, and recently received by Bishop Strange, of the East Carolina Diocese, who knows personally the chairman of the Chinese Relief Committee, and has great confidence in him. The statement is as follows:

The Situation

Two and a half million people in dire need of help.

Appeals received from three main districts aggregating 30,000 square miles with a population of seven million—the Hwai river district in northern Kiangsu and Anhui, the Wuhu district in the Yanktse valley, and the Hankow district in Hupeh.

The break up of families and the gradual lapse into a condition of apathy of the people in the Hwai River district with a population of five million, of whom a million and a half will need relief; severe famine last year, scant crops for five years past, work animals eaten last year, business at a standstill, schools closed, the weak becoming beggars, the strong becoming robbers, two to four hundred hangings or decapitations in town after town of this district during last year's famine, sale of wives and daughters, often into lives of vice.

The failure of the Manchu government to keep the rivers dredged and embankments repaired. Benevolent Chinese who have given liberally in the past, now themselves ruined. The country in the throes of a revolution—due in large measure to such conditions as these—which is absorbing the attention and resources of the people to the exclusion of all else.

The Policy of the Committee

To save life is the supreme aim.

To give relief without pauperising—only in return for labor, except in the case of those unable to work.

To make this labor count in preventing future floods. Dykes and canals will be repaired, and all work will be planned by competent engineers so as to give it a practical place in a larger project of reclamation.

To induce the government and local gentry, as far as possible, to give immediate relief and to undertake their own reclamation work.

To co-operate with Mr. C. D. Jameson, the engineer sent out by the American Red Cross Society, and with influential Chinese who are pledged to this work, in making a thorough study of the situation with a view to the formulation of a programme of conservation, which the new government will probably undertake.

To make the alleviation of suffering in connection with this famine the occasion of a great expression of international goodwill to the New China. The China of yesterday feared and hated the foreigner, and not without reason. The New China will respond to friendship.

Appeal

$3.00 will support a family for one month. The entire amount necessary to provide work for the 600,000 families needing help from the middle of February until harvest in the middle of May, is estimated at $5,000,000. Of this a large part will be raised in China.

We apeal to America to give $1,000,000. It is imperative that money begin to come in by the middle of February in order that great loss of life may be avoided. The utmost efforts will not avail to avert the whole of this great calamity.

DEATH OF SOUTHPORT LADY.

Mrs. L. S. Fifel Passed at Her Home There Yesterday Morning.

Friends in the city and elsewhere will learn with genuine regret of the death of Mrs. L. S. Fifel, who passed away at her home at Southport early yesterday morning after an illness of some duration.

Mrs. Fifel is survived by her husband, Mr. L. S. Fifel, of Southport, and one daughter, Mrs. J. S. Farmer, of this city, also one son, Mr. E. Stewart Fifel, of Southport She is also survived by one sister, Mrs. H. W. Hood, also of Southport. The funeral will take place at Southport, probably Monday morning.

KNIGHTS OF THE MACCABEES.

Will Establish a Local Organization in Wilmington Soon.

The Maccabees is one of the strongest Fsaternal Insurance Orders in the world, their rates being based on the mortality table which makes their plans on which they write both whole life and term absolutely safe. Most of their large surplus capital is invested in Government, State, County and Municipal bonds, a total of $10,500,000 being invested in these securities, over $1,000,000 of North Carolina bonds being held by this organization, including $15,900 of New Hanover bonds. Aside from the financial strength as stated by their State manager, Geo. C. Morton, the Ritualistic work in three degrees is beautiful and inspiring. It offers an opportunity of developing the most artistic talent in the dramatic world. The Charter is now open and a number of the best citizens in the city have added their names. The fee, while charter is open is practically nothing, during the next 30 days. For further information address Geo. C. Morton, State Commander, P. O. Box 387, Wilmington, N. C. **

"The Squaw Man's Revenge." Pretty little story of the West. At the Grand Theatre today. **

NEW SUBURB OF MANHATTAN

Messrs. D. R. Foster & Co., Announce Real Estate Proposition Extraordinary in Largest Advertisement Published Here.

In the largest advertisement ever published in a Wilmington newspaper, Messrs. D. R. Foster & Company, the live real estate agents of Wilmington, offer in today's paper what they confidently assert is the one very best proposition ever offered in Wilmington real estate—lots and an opportunity to build in "Manhattan" Wilmington's latest and most attractive suburb.

Messrs. Foster & Co., have been at work for some days improving the property, which lies on a beautiful elevation between the Wrightsville turnpike and Castle street extension and adjoining Carolina Place, and they announce that the property will go on the market in attractive residence lots tomorrow morning at 8:30 o'clock. The promoters have gone to considerable pains to make this suburb as attractive as possible to the home builders and investor of limited means and confidently believe that every lot of the fifty will have been disposed of within the week. The trend of population is undoubtedly towards the suburbs just now and enterprising real estate men have spared no effort or expense in catering to the demand of the public for residence property within easy reach of the city without the disadvantages of the city. Manhattan has attracted the admiration of all who have passed that way in the past several weeks and it will undoubtedly be a "go" from the start. The lots all front 40 feet with varying depth to suit the purchaser; wide avenues have been laid out, concrete sidewalks laid out and shade trees planted. For those who desire to establish a home in the suburb at once at a saving of rent, four five-room cottages have been built on the premises and these will not only be sold on easy terms, but the real estate agency will actually finance the deal for prospective customers.

The lots are offered on what has come to be known in real estate circles as "Foster's Famous Dollar-a-Week Plan," that is, a small amount down to take care of transfer, etc., and the balance at $1 a week until paid for without interest or taxes until paid for. This plan ideally combines the features of saving and investment at one and the same time and should appeal to the salary and wage earner.

The advertisement elsewhere in today's paper speaks for itself. The proposition is clearly and impartially stated and the prospective home owner and investor would do well to turn to that section of the paper and see the advertisement.

At Fifth Street M. E. Church.

Fifth Street Methodist Church, corner Fifth and Church streets, Rev. G. T. Adams, pastor. At 11 A. M. General Julian S. Carr, of Durham, will deliver an address on The Laymen's Missionary Movement. Special music for the occasion by a double male quartette and the Acme Quartette. On account of the mass meeting at the Academy of Music, there will be no service in the church at night. Junior congregation meets at 10:15 A. M. Sunday School 3 P. M.

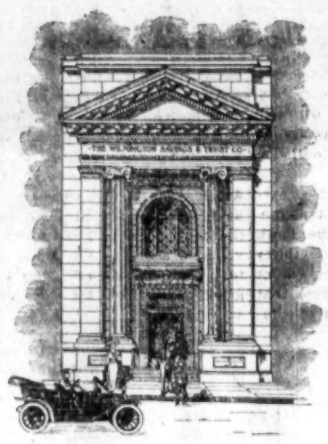
Annual White Sale starts Monday at Rehder's. **

How Little Things Count

HERE is a Dime. Save it. Not a large amount, you say? No, you're right, yet it represents ten per cent. interest on one dollar for a year. It's the little things that count in this life. History tells us that the Duke of Wellington attributes the victory of the Allies at Waterloo to the closing of the Hugomont Castle gates by James MacDonnell and John Graham. It was a small thing. But the results have been marvelous as we look back over the intervening years. Philip D. Armour knew the value of little things. They say he packed everything but the last breath of a hog—utilizing the waste in the manufacture of by products made him wealthy. The small boy by sticking his finger in the leak in the dam saved Holland from devastation. A few drops of water on a stone made no impression—the constant drip wears away the stone. The little point on the augur prepares the way for the large bored hole. A single grain of corn produces from one to two perfect ears. And so the LITTLE DIME is a part of a dollar. Dollars at interest produce dollars just as surely as the seed sown on rich ground brings forth an abundant harvest. Then save the DIME. Watch it grow.

"SAFEST FOR SAVINGS."

THE PEOPLES SAVINGS BANK



Our Location

At No. 110 Princess Street, has been shown in diagram carried in this space for several days past.

The bank is conveniently situated at the "Junction" of car lines, in heart of business and shopping district, and building will be found fireproof throughout, and thoroughly modern in equipment and facilities.

You are invited to call and inspect our new quarters, and to make our office your downtown headquarters. Private 'phones, writing rooms, stationery, etc., at your disposal.

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Company

Oldest, Largest, Strongest North Carolina Savings Bank.

MANHATTAN

Good Morning. Have you read in this paper the largest single ad. ever published in a Wilmington paper? We lead. Others follow.

"We Sell the Earth"

SEASON-END SALE!

Continues Throughout This Week—Feb. 12th to 17th Inclusive

—AT—

THE C. W. POLVOGT CO.

"THE STORE THAT'S ALWAYS BUSY."

The Carpet Department Offers Attractive Bargains to Housekeepers.

$1.65 and $1.50 values in Axminster Carpets for parlor, sitting room or bed rooms, Season End sale price.....$1.15
(Made, laid and lined.)

$1.25 and $1.35 Smith and Sultans velvet Carpets for halls and stairs, parlor and rooms, Season End Sale price.....$1.05
(Made, laid and lined.)

Fine Velvet Carpets for hall and stairs, our regular $1.15 values, Season End Sale price, only per yard 85c
(Made, laid and lined.)

35c fine 116 Warp China Matting, Season End Sale price, only laid 27 1-2c

Largest Carpet Department in North Carolina—Largest assortment in the State to select from.

$60.00 value in a fine Wilton, velvety Art Squares, 9x12 feet, parlor patterns, Season End price $45.00

$40.00 Wilton Velvet Art Squares, 9x12 feet, Season End Sale price $33.00

$30.00 fine Axminster Art Squares, 9x12 feet, Season End sale price $22.50

$25.00 Axminster Art Squares, 9x12 feet, Season End Sale price $18.50

9x12 feet Axminster Art Squares, in velvets and Brussell, worth $22.50, $17.50 and $15.00, Season End Sale, $16.00, $14.00 and $11.00

Large assortment to select from.

Crex Art Squares and Rugs at reduced prices, see our large assortment.

$4.00 Axminster Rugs, full size, Season End Sale price.....$3.00

$3.00 Axminster Rugs, medium size, Seasonend Sale price.....$2.00

All Smyrna, Moquet, Velvet and Rag Rugs are reduced for our Season End Sale.

LACE CURTAINS.

Nets, Irish Points, Nottinghams, White and Ecrue, over 500 pairs to close out at reduced prices to make room for the Spring shipment, Season End Sale price, per pair .....75c to $7.50

Ladies' and Children's Muslin Underwear.

Ladies' Cambric Drawers 19c

50c and 65c value ladies' Gowns Season End Sale price.....43c

$1.00 value ladies' Gowns, well made and trimmed, Season End Sale. price 75c

$1.35 value Ladies' Gowns, and Skirts, Season End Sale price, only $1.00

$1.75 to $2.00 value of ladies' Gowns and Skirts, left from our White Sale, Season End Sale price $1.35

Boys' Night Shirts and Misses' Gowns, 65c values, Season End Sale price 48c

Messaline and Taffeta Underskirts.

Our recent purchase of nearly one thousand dollars worth of these garments enables us to sell them at this Season End Sale at a very low price.

$4.00 value black Taffeta Ladies' Underskirts, Season End Sale $2.25

Solid colored Messaline Underskirts, worth $4.00, Season End Sale price, only $2.25

$5.00 value in a flowered Messeline Underskirt, Season End Sale price only $3.50

Extra quality plain Messeline Underskirt, worth $6.00, Season End Sale price $3.50
(All shades are shown.)

Extra size black Taffeta Underskirt, worth $5.00, Season End Sale price $3.00

Ladies' Ready-to-Wear Department.

All Winter Goods at one-half price.

A few Winter Ladies' Coat Suits at just one-half of the marked price.

$25.00 Caracue Coat, Season End Sale price, only.....$12.50

$30.00 Seal Plush Coat, Season End Sale price, only $15.00

$15.00 Fur Neck Pieces, Season End Sale price, only $7.50

$10.00 Fur Neck Pieces, Season End Sale price, only $5.00

One lot $5.00 Fur Neck Pieces, Season End Sale price, only....$2.50

One lot of Ladies' Tan Coats, semi-fitting and loose backs, worth from $6.00 to $15.00 each, Season End Sale price.....$2.50

Children's Coats at one-half regular selling price for this Season End Sale.

On account of the inclement weather during our White Sale, we offer attractive bargains in our White Goods Department, for our Season End Sale.

The Killarney Linen, 40inch wide, only 12c

Polvogt's Special Long Cloth, only $1.00

Lonsdale Cambric, any quantity, a yard 10c

$1.00 Linen Sheeting, 90-inch. wide, Season End Sale price.....75c

Check Dimities, worth 15c a yard, Season End Sale price.....10c

32-inch. new Spring Dress Ginghams, Season End Sale price, per yard 10c

Anderson's Zephyr Ginghams, 32-inch, sold only by us per yard..15c

20c value Hemstitched, full size Pillow Case, Season End Sale price 12 1-2c

Sheets for this sale at 50, 60, 70 and 80 cents each.

Large bleached Bath Towels, 25c value, Season End Sale price, only, each 19c

75c Mercerized Napkins, Season End Sale price 59c

85c all-linen Bleached Table Damask, Season End Sale price, only, per yard 69c

Blankets and Comforts.

It will pay you to purchase these for next season at the prices we are offering them. You will find them in our Carpet Department at greatly reduced prices.

Season End Sale on Millinery.

Our entire stock of trimmed and untrimmed Hats for ladies and children are offered you at one-half price.

$1.00 value fn ladies' Silk Hose, black, tan and all evening shades, Season End Sale price only 50c

Ten Days Season End Sale, Wednesday, February 7th to 17th Inclusive.

Out-of-Town Orders Filled Promptly.

THE C. W. POLVOGT COMPANY

KNICKERBOCKER

Miss Annie Jacobs Boykin has gone to Sumter, S. C., where she will visit relatives.

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Miss Hazel Banck has gone to Augusta, Ga., where she will spend a month as the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Geo. Ulmer.

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Yesterday's Charlotte Observer: "Miss Lula Taliafetro will leave today for Wilmington to spend several weeks with relatives."

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The treasurer of Cape Fear Chapter, U. D. C., will be at home Monday mornings during February to receive the annual dues of members.

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Miss Edna Earle Dunning, of Aulander, N. C., is the guest of Miss Cammille Twining, at No. 515 North Fourth street.

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The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of Fifth Street Methodist church will meet at the parsonage at 4 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. It is important that all members be present.

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Mr. Chas. H. Brinkley, a former Wilmingtonian, but now of Portland, Ore., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Brinkley, on Chesnut street, and is being pleasantly greeted by his many friends here.

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The regular monthly meeting of The Hospital Circle will be held at the home of the president, Mrs. Allan Nichols, No. 315 South Front street, on Tuesday morning, February 13th, at 11 o'clock. A full attendance is requested.

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Mrs. F. M. Jolly will leave today for Havana, Cuba, to join Mr. Jolly, who is spending the Winter there in the capacity of Industrial Agent for the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad. Mr. and Mrs. Jolly will return to Wilmington early in May.

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A most enjoyable event was the oyster roast given at the Cape Fear Golf Club yesterday afternoon by Miss C. K. Myers in honor of Miss Janie Jones, of Asheville. About 30 invited guests were present and a most delightful time was experienced by all.

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The Young Ladies' Missionary Auxiliary of the First Presbyterian Church will give an entertainment at the Boys' Brigade armory Thursday evening, February 15th, beginning at 8:30 o'clock, for the benefit of Immanuel Kindergarten. Admission will be 35 cents and children 25 cents.

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The Civic Committee of Sorosis will give an afternoon tea and reception next Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the club rooms at the Masonic Temple, at which time Dr. Karl R. Moench will deliver a lecture on Faust, with an introduction on civic conditions in Germany. Refreshments will also be served. The school teachers of both the city and the county will be the guests of honor at the reception. All members of the club are cordially invited to be present.

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The ladies of the Friday Evening Club, an organization composed of the young ladies and gentlemen of St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral, entertained their friends at a leap year dance at the hall of the Knights of Columbus last Friday evening. It was conceded by all to have been one of the most enjoyable affairs ever given by the club. The hall was artistically decorated. More than 50 couples graced the occasion by their presence. A special orchestra rendered the music and a delightful evening was spent by the members and their friends.

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Members of the Cape Fear Country Club had the rare but exquisite pleasure yesterday afternoon of playing golf during a gentle fall of snow, a tournament being in progress at the time the snow storm first maue its appearance. Golf balls were given as the prizes yesterday afternoon. Mr. Chas. E. Taylor, Jr., won first men's prize and Mr. M. F. H. Gouverneur got second prize. Mrs. A. B. Skelding won first women's prize and Miss Katie Grainger secured second prize. Following the play tea was served at the club house.

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Friday of this week will be observed at The Grand Theatre as Benefit Day for Cape Fear Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, and a most attractive programme will be rendered. The orchestra will render special music, among which will be selections from "Madame Sherry," "The Pink Lady" and "Spring Maiden." The proceeds, or that portion which goes to the Daughters of the Confederacy, will be donated by the Daughters to Cape Fear Camp, Confederate Veterans. It is hoped that the patronage of The Grand will be especially large next Friday and Friday evening.

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Friends in Wilmington will note with interest and also with much pleasure the steady advance being made by Miss Jean LaFrage, a charming young lady formerly of this city and who still often visits here in the line of histrionic honor. Last week she appeared as a star in a big recital given in her home town, Dublin, Ga., and, according to most lavish reports from there, walked off with the honors of the occasion. As the feature of the delightful affair she appeared in "Christmas Greens," which is a beautiful playlet, of much dramatic power and of bright comedy. Miss LaFrage, who is a talented actress, enacted the different roles and received high praise for her splendid artistic work.

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LADIES' AUXILIARY OF HOSPITAL HOLD MEETING.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the James Walker Memorial Hospital held its annual meeting at the home of Mrs. Henry C. Bear, No. 520 Princess street, on Thursday, February 8th, at 11 A. M. Officers were elected and committees appointed for the ensuing year. The following were elected officers: Honorary president, Mrs. C. C. Brown; president, Mrs. Henry C. Bear; secretary, Mrs. W. B. Cooper; committees were named as follows: Press committee, Mrs. C. C. Brown, chairman; Mrs. Sol. Sternberger and Mrs. Adolph Goodman. Hospitality, Mrs. Joe Hinton, chairman; Mesdames M. W. Jacobi, E. K. Bryan, Arthur Einstein, L. Bluethenthal, Allan Nichols Gus. Dannebaum and E. P. Bailey. Donations and dues, Mrs. S. Solomon, chairman; Mesdames J. M. Solky, G. W. Hull and E. E. David. Purchasing, Mrs. W. L. Parsley, chairman; Mesdames B. Solomon and J. W. Jacobi. The nominating committee is to be formed from the heads of the other committees.

It was decided to give a social tea at The Orton from 4 to 6 o'clock on Friday, February 6th, at which all of the members of the auxiliary are to entertain the Hospital Circle of the King's Daughters. All members of the auxiliary and the Hospital Circle are most cordially invited to attend.

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GIVEN FOR BENEFIT OF MOUNTAIN SCHOOLS

The Young Woman's Auxiliary of the First Baptist church have a most pleasing entertainment in the lecture room Friday night for the benefit of two of the mountain schools. A play, "An Interrupted Proposal," by Arlo Bates, was one of the features of the evening. Those taking part in the play were Mr. Wilke, Mr. Ed. King, Miss Myrtle Stephens, Mr. S. L. Sharpless, Miss Marie Burt, Mrs. E. P. Brock, Miss Custus Meredith.

Each part was in capable hands and the play was greatly enjoyed by all present. Selections were furnished during the evening by the High School orchestra; Mrs. J. B. Whyte and Miss Lila Keith favored the assemblage with vocal solos and Mrs. J. D. Edwards charmingly rendered a violin solo that was greatly enjoyed. The accompanists for the evening were Miss Cannie Chasten, Mrs. W. B. Muse and Mr. Alfred Yopp. Miss Agnes Carr gave a most interesting and instructive talk on the mountain schools and their work. The decorotions for the occasion were very pretty and appropriate. No admission was charged, but a number of books and towels were donated and these will be sent to the two schools for whose benefit the entertainment was given. The committee having in charge the arrangements for the entertainment which proved so successful, was composed of Mrs. S. H. Burtt, Mrs. W. B. Muse, Miss Nettie King, Miss Nellie Pickard, Mrs. E. P. Brock and Mrs. William Struthers, Jr.

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LITERATURE DEPARTMENT NORTH CAROLINA SOROSIS.

The meeting of the Literature Department of Sorosis on Thursday afternoon was an especially delightful one, the subject of study being the Greek tragedians. There was an opening talk on the history of Athenian supremacy and the Golden Age of Pericles, a reading showing the growth of drama and the development of the theatre, and interesting papers on the life and works of Aeschylus, Sophocles and Euripides, with several selections from Prometheus Bound, Antigone and Alcestis. Another charming feature of the meeting was an informal talk on Athens by one of the members who has spent many years there and is thoroughly familiar with its history and its beauties. The latter part of the afternoon was given up to reading about the wonderful production of Sophocles' Oedipus Rex that is now being given at Covent Garden, London, to huge crowds, and to the examination of prints of the chief actors and scenes of that great tragedy.

The chairman of this department earnestly asks each member to give her co-operation and support to the lecture to be given on the night of February 16th by the school authorities in the auditorium of the High School, the subject being the Panama Canal, illustrated by many stereopticon views, as well as such things are a splendid aid in the direction the department is trying to take. While this department is especially interested, the lecture will be most enjoyable to the entire club, and standing as it always does, for all good things, it is hoped Sorosis will give it its most cordial encouragement and presence.

MEETINGS AT ST. MARY'S.

Rev. Father John Handly to Conduct Mission for Two Weeks.

The Rev. John Handly, C. S. P., arrived in the city yesterday from Austin, Tex., to conduct a mission at St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral, corner Fifth and Ann streets, and these services will begin this morning with the 10 o'clock Mass and continue for two weeks. The first week will be especially for Catholics, but all who may be interested are invited to attend, as there are no secret ceremonies on the programme. It is on the order of a spiritual retreat, with mediations on truths, near to God.

At the service this evening at 8 o'clock the discourse will be on "The Value of the Human Soul," and a special programme of music has been arranged. During the week the first Mass will be at 6 o'clock, instructions at 6:30 and Mass at 7 A. M.

Every night at 8 o'clock a special lecture will be given. Monday night the subject will be "Mortal Sin"; Tuesday night, "Death"; Wednesday night, "Eternal Punishment"; Thursday night, "Christian Love"; Friday night, "The Mercy of God". At all of these evening services Father Handly will answer the questions that are asked relative to the Catholic faith. There will be a box at the entrance of the church for these questions and all that is asked is that the question be written on a slip of paper and placed in the box. The public is assured of a cordial invitation to attend and nothing will be said to wound the feelings of anyone. It is the purpose of the meetings to place the Catholic doctrine before the public from a Catholic standpoint.

Father Handly is a convert to the Catholic faith, and is thoroughly familiar with the manner in which Catholics are misrepresented at times. The Catholics of Wilmington extend a cordial invitation to their non-Catholic friends, to attend the services.

Loss of nerve force which weakens the whole body may be produced by eye strain. Our examination and prescribing correct lenses cure this trouble. Dr. Vineberg, the Eye Specialist, Masonic Temple. Eyes tested free. Spectacles from $1 up. **

Annual White Sale starts Monday at Rehder's. **

LOCAL DOTS.

—The boys' meeting at the Y. M. C. A. this morning will be addressed by Mr. J. B. Huntington, general secretary.

—A liberal reward is offered for the recovery of a package containing a diamond ring which was dropped on the street yesterday afternoon. A liberal reward will be paid for return to the store of Mr. A. O. Schuster.

—Mr. J. B. Huntington, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A., will leave Monday night for Charleston, S. C., where he will attend the annual convention of the Y. M. C. A. for the Carolinas, which will be held there Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

—The usual morning service will be held at Immanuel Presbyterian church at 11 A. M., today, but in the evening at 7 P. M., the service will be a short one, and the congregation will be formally invited to attend the Laymen's Missionary meeting at the Academy of Music upon its completion.

—Tom McMillan, colored, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Patrolman J. F. Smith on a charge of being drunk and disorderly. When the officer went to make the arrest the negro threw a rock at him and an additional charge of an assault with a deadly weapon was marked up against the man on the police blotter.

—An expert corsetiere will be at the store of Messrs C. H. Fore & Co., this week and those who wish an appointment may make the same over the telephone or through the mail. The Redfern Whalbone corset is known the world over and the ladies of the city will be interested in this announcement.

—Deeds were filed for record yesterday as follows: Wm. P. Bryan and others to Stephen Sneeden and wife, for $10 and other considerations, tract in Masonboro township, on west side of Fork Branch, containing 29.70 acres; Jas. Brown and others to J. H. Nigsel, Jr., for $10 and other considerations, lot on northwest corner of Miller and Dickinson streets, 32x165 feet in size.

—Only one case was tried in the Recorder's court yesterday morning, this being a lone "drunk," who was disposed of in the usual manner. A case against Leroy Batson, white, charged with violating the prohibition law, was continued until Tuesday, as was also a case against Dr. Jno. T. Schonwald, charged with assault and battery and disorderly conduct. Substitute Recorder Geo. Harriss presided.

—The inn which is in course of construction at Wrightsville Beach for the Wrightsville Realty Company will be known as Hanover Lodge. The building will have 32 rooms and will be modern in every respect. The officers of the company are: President, B. O. Stone; vice president, Chas. N. Evans; secretary and treasurer, Thos. H. Wright. The contract for the plumbing in connection with the building has been awarded to W. R. Dosher & Co.

HEARING BEFORE COUNCIL.

Mr. R. H. Grant Gives Formal Notice of His Appeal.

Convinced that he will be able to show to the satisfaction of a majority of the members of the City Council that the charges brought against him by Councilman B. C. Moore, in charge of the Department of Public Safety, and Dr. Chas. T. Nesbitt, city superintendent of health, are groundless and that they will reinstate him as plumbing inspector, which office was recently abolished, Mr. R. H. Grant, who until Friday was acting plumbing inspector pending election of an inspector of sewers and drains, has given formal notice of his appeal to the Council and requests a hearing before a full board. The request came in the following communication handed to Councilman B. C. Moore yesterday by Woodus Kellum, Esq., attorney for Mr. Grant:

"Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 9, 1912.
"Councilman B. C. Moore, City.
"Dear Sir:—I respectfully appeal from your order of even date suspending me from the position of inspector of sewers and drains to the Council of the City of Wilmington and ask for a hearing before a full board of said Council, as I believe I can exonerate myself from all blame.

"Yours very truly,
"R. H. GRANT."

Mr. Grant was not inspector of sewers and drains, but had been plumbing inspector for several years prior to the abolition of the office in December. Council created the office of inspector of sewers and drains and pending the election of a man for the office Mr. Grant was requested to continue his duties as plumbing inspector, which he did until notified by the health department, acting under instructions of Councilman B. C. Moore, that hereafter the work would be done through the health department. The action of Councilman B. C. Moore was in accordance with what he regarded as a tacit understanding at the regular meeting of the Council last Tuesday.

It is probable that a meeting of the Council will be called for tomorrow in order to hear Mr. Grant's defense so that the matter which has been hanging fire for two or three months may be gotten out of the way as early as possible.

PLANNING FOR BANQUET.

Members of Trade Extension Association Will Discuss Movement.

As a means of stimulating interest in the trade movement to Wilmington a banquet is being planned for some time this month, to be given by the Wilmington Trade Extension Association.

There will be a number of brief talks by members of the organization on subjects of the trade movement to this city and the progress of the association. The trade interest of the city in general will be represented and it will doubtless prove to be a most delightful and eventful affair.

Out-of-town purchasers are being brought to the city daily by the efforts of the organization and splendid progress is being made. Definite arrangements for the proposed banquet will be announced within the next few days. The harmonious efforts of the members of the association have placed it on a substantial basis, and it is making Wilmington the haven for out-of-town purchasers, from both retail and wholesale merchants.

Annual White Sale starts Monday at Rehder's. **

Rubbers and rubber boots at Rehder's. **

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Porter, of Weldon, were guests at The Orton yesterday.

—Mrs. J. C. Hubbard, Miss Emma Hubbard and Master Joe Hubbard, of Clinton, were guests at The Orton yesterday.

—Among yesterday's guests at The Orton were William B. Bear, Charlotte; A. A. Wright, Wallace; R. T. Murray, Burgaw.

—Mr. W. F. Swaringen, of Rocky Mount, was in the city yesterday on his way to Chadbourn for a hunting expedition. He formerly conducted a newspaper at Whiteville and is well known in Columbus.

—Coming to be present at a family reunion at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Brinkley, Mr. C. R. Brinkley, formerly a popular young Wilmingtonian, but now of Portland, Oregon, arrived in the city yesterday morning and will spend a week or ten days here. His brother, Mr. Oscar Brinkley, of Atlanta, Ga., also well-known here, arrived on the Seaboard train last night and they will be joined today by a sister, from Greenville, S. C., all of whom will spend some time with their parents at their home on Chesnut street.

LECTURE THIS AFTERNOON

"Slum Life" is Subject That Will be Used by Rev. Sidney Love

Under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A., Rev. Sidney Love, who is well-known in this city, will deliver a lecture at The Bijou Theatre at 5 o'clock this afternoon on "Slum Life." The lecture will be for men only and there will be no charge for admission. It will be a splendid opportunity for the men of Wilmington to learn of a remarkable work that has been accomplished by the self-sacrificing devotion of bright, intelligent men who have given up their homes in a respectable locality to take up their abode in districts which are reserved by the police authorities for the lowest types of criminals.

Mr. Love was born in a mission house close to Wapping old stairs made famous by the writings of Charles Dickens, surrounded by two hundred thousand of London's characters. The lecture will also interest those who are interested in the men and religion movement, as Mr Love is recognized as one of th estrongest men's preachers, who can reach men with a strong appeal which brings results. Since coming to this country he has been permitted by the authorities to speak in almost all of the Southern penitentiaries.

The lecture will begin promptly at 5 o'clock and all men of the city are cordially invited to attend.

DEATH OF MR. H. C. WARREN

Passed Away Yesterday Afternoon—Remains to Edenton Today

Mr Hugh Collins Warren died at his apartments at the home of Mrs. N. H. Quince, No. 18 North Seventh street, yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, following an illness beginning when he was stricken with paralysis several weeks ago. The deceased was 46 years old, and is survived by his wife, who was with him when the end came.

Mr. Warren was a native of Edenton, N. C., but came to this city last September from Montgomery, Ala., to assume the local management of the American Agricultural Chemical Co. Though having been here for only a short time he had a host of warm friends, for indeed he possessed that happy faculty of making every one with whom he came in contact his friend. They will tenderly sympathize with his bereaved widow. The deceased was a member of St. James' Episcopal church and was also a Mason, belonging to one of the lodges in Montgomery.

A short funeral service will be held from the residence of Mrs. Quince at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon, conducted by Rev. Dr. Wm. H. Milton, rector of St. James' Episcopal church, and the body will be taken on an evening train to Edenton for interment.

NEGRO SHOOTING AFFAIR.

John Teachey Puts Bullet in Elijah Highsmith's Thigh.

Elijah Highsmith, colored, was shot and injured, though not seriously, by John Teachey last night shortly before 10 o'clock at the latter's home on Eighth street, near Nixon. Highsmith was sent to the hospital and Teachey made his way out into the snow-night and has thus far eluded the officers who are searching for him. He also took his spouse with him, and as there was no other eye witness to the affair the police have scant knowledge of the shooting.

What the men quarreled about, if they did quarrel, is not known. Teachey fired one shot at Highsmith and it took effect in the thigh. The hospital reported to the police that the wound was not a serious one.

Two Alarms Yesterday.

The fire department suppressed an incipient blaze in the roof of the city market house, on Front, between Dock and Orange streets, last evening, and thereby prevented what might have developed into a serious conflagration. The alarm came in at 7:40 P. M., from box 43, and the boys were on the scene in a few minutes. The woodwork around the flue over the compartment occupied by Mr. D. B. Futrell had ignited from the heat or from some defect in the flue. The damage amounted to about $25. The department was also called out at 6:45 last evening by an alarm from box 48. A chimney at the home of Mr. C. S. Grainger, No. 7 South Fifth street, burned out. No damage was done.

Death of Little Son.

Mr. and Mrs. Luke Fowler, of No. 806 South Front street, will have the sympathy of many friends in bereavement sustained in the loss of their little son, Clinton G. Fowler, whose death occurred yesterday morning at 10:30 o'clock at the Wilmington Sanitarium, following an illness of several weeks. The little boy was a bright and lovable child of three years of age, and his death is a severe blow to the parents. Funeral services were held at the home yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock, conducted by Rev. J. S. Crowley, pastor of Immanuel Presbyterian Church. The remains were carried to Mount Tabor on the 7 P. M. train and the interment will be in the family burying ground there today.

"POMP" GREEN HAS SIGNED UP.

Will Play Ball on Columbia Team in South Atlantic League.

As occasional days of sunshine tempt the ground hog to reconsider his prophetic retreat into hibernation for a longer period, rumors and nearnews of the approaching baseball season keep the ever faithful fan on the qui vive for the real article. From all the fireside dope evolved by the Winter baseball scribes one can glean enough of probability to make hope for the advent of another Summer bloom into possible reality.

While our prospects for seeing the real article turned out by a representative Wilmington team grow dimmer with each succeeding day, the local fans will have the incentive to pore over their daily papers, keeping tab on the progress of some of their most cherished athletes in their careers on minor league diamonds throughout the country.

First of the local squad to sign a contract for the 1912 season was Thomas O. ("Pomp") Green, who is too well known to the local followers of the game to need further introduction. His record as an amateur slab star during the past few years has been the source of predictions that he is a "comer" of high degree, and his record of last season with the Coast Line team of the City League showed that he far outclassed the classiest of amateurs. "Pomp" has affixed his John Henry to a contract to play for the coming season with the Columbia, S. C., team of the South Atlantic League, and is now only awaiting instructions to report for preliminary work.

The Columbia team has proven itself an important factor in the Sally League race each season since its inception, although it has always finished in a low position until last season when "Wild Bill" Clark took up the managerial reins in mid-season and ran a spectacular race, losing out to Columbus, Ga., only at the very close of the season. The patrons of the game in the Palmetto State's capital city have been ever loyal through succeeding years of disaster and now with the taste of almost a pennant in their remembrance, are putting forth unusual efforts to produce a winner. The personnel of the team has been of undeviating high calibre, and "Pomp" is to be congratulated for breaking into professional ball in such fast company and under such sterling leadership. No one doubts that Tom with his speed and spitters will make good in the fast class C league, and the chief interest will centre in his ultimate field af labor higher up. "Pomp" has youth, strength and willingness, along with a first-class article of the "goods" to carry with him and when he leaves at the call for practice the good wishes of his many admirers will follow him to the little league down South.

Taking a step higher up and keeping Tom company on the Columbia team will be found another of Wilmington's favorites, Jack Hoey. He will hold down the initial sack for the Palmetto near-champions, and with his former experience in the Carolina and Eastern Carolina Leagues, will be a valuable asset in winning the coveted pennant for the game South Carolina city. Jack, who is well known and well liked here, has the good will of his many friends who will watch his work in a faster league with interest.

There are others of the local boys who are probabilities in classy ball on other diamonds, but as yet, no definite plans have been made, though it is probable that several of them will be in professional ball before the Summer rolls round.

Norton-Jacobs Nuptials

Mr. Alex. Norton and Miss Lena Jacobs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Jacobs, of this city, were happily married at 6 o'clock last evening, the ceremony being performed by Justice G. W. Bornemann in his office on Princess street in the presence of a number of friends of the couple. The ceremony was performed in Justice Bornemann's usual impressive manner following which he rendered most delightfully several selections on his accordeon and sang a few songs, including one entitled, "When Your Heart Gets Sad and Lonely," this piece a favorite with the "judge." The newly married couple as well as the assembled friends greatly enjoyed the selections, both vocal and instrumental, rendered by the magistrate. Mr. and Mrs. Norton will reside in the southern part of the city.

Special Meeting of Chamber

Secretary Howard B. Branch, of the Chamber of Commerce, yesterday sent out notices of a special meeting of the body to be held tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock. The notice read as follows: "A special meeting of the Chamber of Commerce is called by President Corbett for Monday, February 12th, at 4 P. M., to endorse the 'Rock Hill Plan' of cotton reduction that applies to North Carolina. This action is in support of the Agricultural Department, Farmers' Alliance and Farmers' Union of North Carolina, and it is desired that every merchant in the city be present."

The fifth day of November will do the "ides" act this year.—Birmingham Age Herald.

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FIRE IN NEW YORK.

A Serious Conflagration Endangered Thousands of Lives Near Bowery.

New York, Feb. 10.—A furious fire tonight in one of the most congested sections of New York, near the Bowery, caused a panic among thousands of tenants, hotel guests, theatre-goers and dancers. In place of the great casualty list which the police feared when five alarms and ambulance calls came in, not a single serious injury was reported. Nearly 5,000 persons, however, were driven from crowded buildings in the streets, where they shivered in cold near zero.

The fire broke out in a tenement at Chrystie and Stanton streets and this and a seven-story structure adjoining were destroyed. A thousand dancers were enjoying themselves in a hall in an upper story of the last named building, but all had ample warning and escaped safely. Patrons of the Salvation Army Hotel, the Lipzin Theatre and Luhr's Hotel were also driven to the streets. The loss is upwards of $300,000.

Brunswick, Ga., Feb. 10.—James J. Hill, chairman of the board of directors of the Great Northern Railroad, who is wanted as a witness before the Stanley committee, left here this afternoon for Washington, accompanied by his secretary. He will appear before the committee Monday. Mr. Hill expects to rejoin his family on Jekyl Island about March 1.

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Financial and Commercial

COTTON CONTINUES TO GO UP

Activity in the Staple Continued Yesterday and the Highest Point of the Movement Was Reached.

New York, Feb. 10.—It was another day of great activity in the cotton market and bullish excitement continued, with prices making new high ground and reaching practically the 10 1-2c level, on covering and general buying. The close was firm at a net advance of from 7 to 14 points.

The opening was firm at a decline of six points on February, but generally 4 to 15 points higher on heavy overnight buying orders and a continuation of the covering movement which has been so prominent for the past three or four days. Cables were a shade disappointing and it looked as if leading long interests had large selling orders around the ring, but prices reacted only a few points from the opening figures and as soon as early sellers for a turn saw how readily offers were being absorbed, the market firmed up again and in the late trading sold 14 to 15 points net higher on the old crop and from 9 to 11 points above the closing figures of last night on new crop positions. The close was within 2@3 points of the best on active months. May contracts sold at 10.47 and July at 10.56, or more than 75 points above the low level of last Tuesday morning and about $8.75 per bale above the low records of last December. Commission houses were very active during the day, suggesting an increased outside interest on the bull side of the market and it also seemed that old shorts who had previously shown great stubbornness in their position on the market, were covering in advance of the local holiday, as New York will be closed on Monday, while both New Orleans and Liverpool will remain open. Private cables attributed the somewhat disappointing English futures to realizing for over the week-end, but the Liverpool spot market showed continued strength and overnight advices from the South indicated continued firmness among interior holders, and was also reported an active demand from New England spinners. Reviews of the dry goods trade were considered encouraging from a bullish standpoint and such bearish features as appeared in the news seemed to attract little or no attention.

Receipts today 45,301 bales against 53,729 last week and 29,402 last year; Receipts at New Orleans 12,721 bales against 8,209 last year; at Galveston 12,871 against 4,897 last year, and at Houston 5,719 against 5,113 last year.

Spot closed steady, 15 points higher; middling uplands, 10.65; do. gulf, 10.90; no sales.

Cotton futures closed firm.

Month:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Jan	10.45	10.48	10.40	10.48
Feb	10.05	10.23	10.06	10.23
Mar	10.20	10.33	10.15	10.33
Apr				10.38
May	10.43	10.47	10.36	10.47
June	10.54	10.54	10.53	10.52
July	10.53	10.56	10.45	10.54
Aug	10.43	10.46	10.42	10.43
Sept	10.39	10.40	10.35	10.41
Oct	10.40	10.44	10.35	10.44
Nov	10.44	10.45	10.45	10.47
Dec	10.48	10.50	10.43	10.49

THE PORT MOVEMENT.

Galveston—Firm, 10½; net receipts, 12,871; gross receipts, 12,871; sales, 1,150; stock, 349,508; continent, 11,108; coastwise, 1,673.

New Orleans—Firm, 10½; net receipts, 12,721; gross receipts, 12,824; sales, 11,425; stock, 294,564; Great Britain, 9,000; continent, 8,119; coastwise, 1,290.

Mobile—Net receipts, 739; gross receipts, 739; stock, 77,175; coastwise, 103.

Savannah—Steady, 10 5-16; net receipts, 8,673; gross receipts, 8,673; sales, 3,727; stock, 221,700; continent, 20,007; coastwise, 1,041; Japan, 9,975.

Charleston—Firm, 10¾; net receipts, 1,287; gross receipts, 1,287; stock, 42,251.

Wilmington—Steady, 10; net receipts, 2,550; gross receipts, 2,550; stock, 17,416; coastwise, 400.

Norfolk—Steady, 10½; net receipts, 3,323; gross receipts, 3,323; sales, 1,230; stock, 53,643; coastwise, 4,194.

Baltimore—Nominal, 10½; stock, 11,039.

New York—Steady, 10.65; net receipts, 80; gross receipts, 5,839; stock, 196,036; coastwise, 1,330.

Boston—Steady, 10.65; gross receipts, 3,198; stock, 12,019; continent, 191.

Philadelphia—Steady, 10.90; gross receipts, 730; stock, 3,750.

Brunswick—Stock, 2,211.

Gulfport—Stock, 11,345.

Pensacola—Net receipts, 600; gross receipts, 600; Great Britain, 600.

Texas City—Net receipts, 2,216; gross receipts, 2,216; stock, 38,442; Mexico, 200.

Jacksonville—Net receipts, 232; gross receipts, 232; coastwise, 232.

Total today, at all ports—Net, 45,301; Great Britain, 9,600; continent, 39,425; Japan, 9,975; Mexico, 200; stock, 1,311,198.

Total since Sept. 1, at all ports—Net, 9,235,700; Great Britain, 2,934,179; France, 876,558; continent, 3,048,282; Japan, 34,889; Mexico, 4,788.

Consolidated at all ports—eNt. 45,301; Great Britain, 9,600; continent, 39,925; Japan, 9,475; Mexico, 200.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

Houston—Steady, 11; net receipts, 5,719; gross receipts, 5,719; shipments, 6,759; sales, 4,337; stock, 171,966.

Augusta—Steady, 10⅝; net receipts, 1,865; gross receipts, 2,127; shipments, 1,496; sales, 2,010; stock, 86,529.

Memphis—Steady, 10½; net receipts, 2,526; gross receipts, 4,535; shipments, 5,804; sales, 2,250; stock, 137,950.

St. Louis—Firm, 10⅝; net receipts, 361; gross receipts, 1,302; shipments, 988; stock, 25,707.

Cincinnati—Net receipts, 1,903; gross receipts, 1,903; shipments, 1,437; sales, 300; stock, 13,904.

Little Rock—Steady, 10; net receipts, 778; gross receipts, 778; shipments, 1,128; stock, 34,092.

Total today—Net receipts, 13,152; gross receipts, 16,384; shipments, 17,612; sales, 8,897; stock, 470,217.

NAVAL STORES

New York, Feb. 10.—Rosin easy. Turpentine quiet.

Charleston, Feb. 10.—Turpentine firm, 46 to 46 1-4. Rosin firm. Quote: B. 6.55; D. and E. 6.60; F. 6.67 1-2; G. H. and I. 6.70; K. 7.10; M. 1.25; N. 7.30; W.G. 7.35; W.W. 7.40.

Savannah, Feb. 10. — Turpentine quiet, 46 1-4; sales 12; receipts 2,76; shipments 23; stocks 28,045.

Rosin firm; sales 4,77; receipts 1,102; shipments 2,515; stock 97,452 Quote: B. 6.55; D. and E. 6.60; F. 6.67 1-2; G. H. and I. 6.65; K. 7.10; M. 7.25; N. 7.30; W.G. 7.35; W.W. 7.40

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MARINE.

Arrived.

Str. Glencoe (Br.), 1,648 tons, Cooper, Hamburg, via Bermuda, Heide & Co.

Str. Duplin, Stokes, Smith's Bridge, J. W. Brooks.

Cleared.

Schr. Richard Linthicum, 191 tons, Roberts, New York, C. D. Mafflitt.

Str. Navahoe, 1,278 tons, Packer, New York, H. G. Smallbones.

Exports—Coastwise.

New York—Schr. Richard Linthicum, 194,000 feet lumber; cargo by Robert R. Sizer & Co.; vessel by C. D. Mafflitt.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels Now in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Glencoe (Br.), 1,648 tons, Cooper, Heide & Co.

Str. Dachre Hill (Br.), 1,714 tons, Price, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Schooners.

Schr. John W. Hall, 329 tons, Bennett, to master.

Schr. Elizabeth Gilbert, 482 tons, Chipman, C. D. Mafflitt.

Schr. John H May, 319 tons, Stille, C. D. Mafflitt.

Schr. Augustus Welt, 1,111 tons, Sprout, C. D. Mafflitt.

Schr. Brina P. Pendleton, 821 tons, Coombs, C. D. Mafflitt.

Stephen G. Loud, 409 tons, Graham, C. D. Mafflitt; in distress.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at Port of Wilmington.

Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 10.

Atlantic Coast Line—2,470 bales cotton; 5 barrels rosin; 6 barrels tar; 27 barrels crude turpentine.

Seaboard Air Line—80 bales cotton.

Total—2,550 bales cotton; 5 barrels rosin; 6 barrels tar; 27 barrels crude turpentine.

Total last year—135 bales cotton; 2 casks spirits turpentine; 14 barrels rosin; 57 barrels tar.

NEW YORK PRODUCE.

New York, Feb. 10.—Flour steady with a small local trade. Spring patents 5.25 to 5.50; Winter straights 4.30 to 4.40; Winter patents 4.50 to 4.80; Spring clears 4.25 to 4.45.

Rye Flour—Firm, 4.85 to 5.25.

Buckwheat Flour, Cornmeal and Barley—Firm.

Rye—Quiet.

Wheat—Spot easy; No. 2 red 1.02 3-4 elevator and 1.04 afloat. No. 1 Northern Duluth, 1.22 f.o.b. afloat. Options 1-2 to 3-4c net lower. May 1.07 3-16; July 1.01 7-8.

Corn—Spot easy; export 73 f.o.b. afloat. Futures nominal.

Oats—Spot steady; standard white 60 1-2 in elevator; No. 2, 60 1-2. Futures nominal.

Pork and Petroleum—Steady.

Beef—Firm.

Cut Meats—Dull.

Lard—Easy.

Tallow—Quiet.

Rice—Firm.

Molasses—Steady.

Sugar—Raw firm; refined firm.

Coffee—Futures steady at net advance of 2 to 6 points. Spot—Steady; Rio No. 7, 14 1-4; Santos No. 4, 15 1-2. Mild—Quiet; Cordova 15 1-2 to 17 1-2 nominal.

Potatoes—Easy; European, per 168 pounds 2.35 to 2.80.

Cabbages—Steady, unchanged.

Freights and Peanuts—Unchanged.

Butter—Steady.

Cheese—Firm.

Eggs—Unsettled.

Cotton Seed Oil—Quiet with prices lower under scattered selling by longs over the holiday, somewhat freer offerings of crude and absence of outside support. Spot 10 points lower and futures 4 to 6 points off from last night. February 5.55 to 5.58; March 5.57 to 5.59; April 5.60 to 5.64; May 5.66 to 5.69; June 5.70 to 5.73; prime crude 4.54 to 4.67; prime Summer yellow 5.50 to 5.62; prime Winter yellow 5.65 to 6.10; prime Summer white 5.75 to 6.10.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Feb. 10.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—45¼.

ROSIN—Steady, $5.90.

TAR—Firm, $1.90.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Firm, $3.50@$4.50.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, nothing doing; rosin, nothing doing; tar, firm, $2.00; crude turpentine, firm, at $4.50@$6.00.

Receipts:

Spirits Turpentine	(—)
Rosin	5
Tar	6
Crude Turpentine	27

Receipts same day last year, 2 casks spirits turpentine; 14 barrels rosin; 57 barrels tar.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Steady, 10¼.

Same day last year, nothing doing.

Receipts, 2,550 bales; same day last year, 155 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Jan. 24.)

CORN—Firm; .85 to .87½c. per bu.

PEAS—White, $3.50 per bu.

POTATOES—Irish potatoes, new crop 80c. per bu.; nice yams, 75c. per bu.

BEEF—On foot, dull, .03@.04 per lb.

PORK—Very dull, at 7@8c.

WOOL—Burry, .11@.12c. per lb.; free of burr, 17 to 18 per lb.

HIDES—Green, .09 to .08½ per lb.; dry, 14 to 15c. per lb.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON—Hams, old 20c. per lb.; sides and shoulders, 14c. per lb.

BEESWAX—Firm; 27 per lb.

TALLOW—Firm; .04½@.05 per lb.

POULTRY—Turkeys, 17c. on foot; no demand. Chickens, grown, 40 to 45 per head; chickens, spring, 20@35c. per head. Geese, 65 to 75 per head.

SHEEP—No sales.

EGGS—Good demand, 27@28 per doz.

LIVERPOOL COTON MARKET

Liverpool, Feb. 10.—Spot was in active demand and a large business was done, prices six points higher; American middling, fair 6.60; good middling, 6.22; middling, 5.96; low middling 5.66; good ordinary 5.28; ordinary 5.02.

The sales of the day were 16,000 bales, of which 1,000 were for speculation and export and included 14,000 American. Receipts 67,000 bales, including 60,000 American.

Futures opened steady and closed barely steady. February 5.70 1-2; February and March 5.70; March and April 5.71; April and May 5.71 1-2; May and June 5.72; June and July 5.71 1-2; July and August 5.70; August and September 5.64 1-2; September and October 5.61; October and November 5.58; November and December 5.57 1-2; December and January 5.57; January and February 5.57; February and March 5.58.

"Mother and Daughters."

Striking comedy drama at The Grand Theatre with two other big films at the Grand Theatre today. **

BIG DEPRESSION IN STOCKS

Almost Complete Stagnation Characterized the Stock Market at the Opening—Later Some Issues Felt Losses.

New York, Feb. 10.—Quotations of stocks were depressed sharply today by a sudden attack on the market. The session began quietly and the list seemed to have lapsed into complete stagnation. Variations in prices of the leading issues were so small and business was so light that traders looked ahead to a dull and profitless day. But before the end of the first hour prices began to move definitely downward and during the second part of the half-day session the movement was active. Stocks were sold in large amounts and United States Steel, the Harriman Pacifics, Reading, Amalgamated Copper, American Smelting and a number of other prominent stocks lost from 1 to 1 1-2 points.

Pressure was heaviest against United States Steel, which sold down to 50. Selling of this stock was explained when the monthly statement of unfilled tonnage appeared at the close of the market. It showed an increase of 294,000 tons in unfilled orders at the end of January. Movements among the specialties were irregular.

A large decrease in the number of idle freight cars was shown by the fortnightly report.

The expected loss in cash by the banks was shown in the weekly statement, which disclosed an actual cash loss of $5,743,000.

Bonds were irregular with an easier tendency. Total sales, par value, $1,604,000. United States 3s, registered, advanced 7-8 and the coupon 3s one point on call on the week. Total sales today 248,400 shares.

CLOSING STOCK LIST.

Allis-Chalmers, pfd	7
Amalgamated Copper	62
American Agricultural	50⅜
American Beet Sugar	54⅝
American Can	11½
American Car and Foundry	50⅜
American Cotton Oil	48⅝
American Hide and Leather, pfd	20
American Ice Securities	19⅝
American Linseed	9⅝
American Locomotive	32⅜
American Smelting and Ref	69¼
Amer. Smelting and Ref., pfd	103⅜
American Steel Foundries	28
American Sugar Refining	117⅜
American Tel and Tel	140⅛
American Tobacco, pfd	104⅝
American Woolen	25⅜
Anaconda Mining Co	34⅝
Atchison	104
Atchison, pfd	104
Atlantic Coast Line	135½
Baltimore and Ohio	101⅜
Bethlehem Steel	30⅜
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	77⅝
Canadian Pacific	228½
Central Leather	18½
Central Leather, pfd	86
Central of New Jersey	380
Chesapeake and Ohio	70¼
Chicago and Alton	24
Chicago Great Western	17½
Chicago Great Western, pfd	35
Chicago and North Western	141⅝
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	103¾
C., C., C. and St. Louis	52
Colorado Fuel and Iron	25½
Colorado and Southern	43
Consolidated Gas	139¼
Corn Products	10⅜
Delaware and Hudson	172
Denver and Rio Grande	20⅝
Denver and Rio Grande, pfd	41
Distillers' Securities	28½
Erie	30½
Erie, 1st pfd	50½
Erie, 2nd pfd	40¼
General Electric	156
Great Northern, pfd	128⅝
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	36½
Illinois Central	135
Interborough-Met	17¾
Interborough-Met., pfd	55
Inter Harvester	103⅛
Inter Marine, pfd	20¾
International Paper	10⅝
International Pump	29
Iown Central	11
Kansas City Southern	25⅝
Kansas City Southern, pfd	62
Laclede Gas	106⅜
Louisville and Nashville	152⅝
Minneapolis and St. Louis	24½
Minn., St. P. and Sault Ste Marie	132
Missouri, Kansas and Texas	20½
Missouri, Kansas and Texas, pfd	62
Missouri Pacific	39⅝
National Biscuit	130½
National Lead	53½
Nat Rys of Mexico, 2nd pfd	33½
New York Central	110⅜
New York, Ontario and Western	36⅝
Norfolk and Western	108¼
North American	78
Northern Pacific	116½
Pacific Mail	31½
Pennsylvania	122⅝
People's Gas	105⅝
Pittsburg, C. C. and St. Louis	100½
Pittsburg Coal	107
Pressed Steel Car	31½
Pullman Palace Car	159
Railway Steel Spring	27½
Reading	156½
Republic Steel	29⅝
Republic Steel, pfd	75
Rock Island Co	23¼
Rock Island Co., pfd	48½
St. Louis and San Fran., 2nd pfd	39
St. Louis Southwestern	30
St. Louis Southwestern, pfd	69
Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron	40
Southern Pacific	107⅝
Southern Railway	27⅝
Southern Railway, pfd	72½
Tennessee Copper	37¾
Texas and Pacific	21
Toledo, St. Louis and Western	15
Toledo, St. L. and Western, pfd	32½
Union Pacific	152⅞
Union Pacific, pfd	92½
United States Realty	67
United States Rubber	45⅝
United States Steel	50
United States Steel, pfd	107½
Utah Copper	54¾
Virginia-Carolina Chemical	53½
Wabash	7⅛
Wabash, pfd	18¾
Western Maryland	37
Westinghouse Electric	70¼
Western Union	84½
Wheeling and Lake Erie	4½

THE MONEY MARKET.

New York, Feb. 10.—Money on call, nominal. Time loans, steady; sixty days, 2¾@3 per cent., and ninety days, 3 per cent.; six months, 3@3¼ per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 3½@4 per cent. Sterling exchange, Steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at 4.8450 for sixty-day bills, and at 4.8740 for demand. Commercial bills, 4.83¾; bar silver, 60⅝; Mexican dollars, 47.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, McCabe & Co.)

Petersburg, Va., Feb. 2.—Spanish—Market, steady. Small Spanish, 90c per bu.; Jumbo Sapnish, 85c per bu. Virginias—Firm. Fancy Jumbo, 4c. to 4¼c. per lb.; Fancy Hand-Picked, 3¾c. per lb.; Extra Prime, 3½c. per lb.; Prime, 3½c. per lb.; Machine Picked, 3 to 3½c. per lb.; Shelling Stock, 2½c. to 3c. per lb.

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THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture, Weather Bureau.

February 11, 1912.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 37 degrees; at 8 P. M., 25 degrees; maximum, 39 degrees; minimum, 25 degrees; mean, 32 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .04 inch; for the month, .05 inch.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M., yesterday, 6.7 feet.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Snow Sunday; Monday, generally fair; high northeast, shifting to northwest winds.

Port Calendar—Feb. 11.

Sun rises	7:01 A. M.
Sun sets	5:52 P. M.
Day's length	10 hrs. 53 min.
High water at Southport	3:51 P. M.
High water at Wilmington	6:31 P. M.

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

February 10, 1911.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature: Highest Today	Temperature: Lowest Last Night	24-Hour Precipitation 8 P. M.
Abilene	cloudy	58	22	.0
Asheville	snowing	32	26	.01
Atlanta	snowing	38	34	.24
Augusta	snowing	44	36	.60
Birmingham	snowing	32	32	.80
Boston	clear	8	-2	.0
Charleston	raining	46	42	.44
Charlotte	snowing	36	32	.01
Chicago	cloudy	18	2	.0
Galveston	clear	52	42	.0
Jacksonville	pt cldy	58	46	.60
Memphis	clear	30	—	.0
Mobile	pt cldy	50	48	.58
Montgomery	cloudy	46	46	.78
New Orleans	clear	40	36	.14
New York	clear	10	-2	.0
Palestine	clear	52	30	.0
Oklahoma	clear	52	20	.0
Pittsburg	clear	10	-8	.0
Raleigh	snowing	32	32	.62
Savannah	raining	48	46	1.01
Shreveport	clear	46	28	.0
St. Louis	pt cldy	28	4	.0
Washington	clear	16	10	.0

CHICAGO GRAIN.

Chicago, Feb. 10.—Heavy receipts at primary terminals had a bearish effect today on wheat. Largely as a result, closing figures were ¼ to ½@⅝ under last night. In corn, the outcome was unchanged to a sixteenth; oats finished at ⅛c. advance, and hog products less expensive by a shade to 7½c.

Wheat—No. 2, red, 1.01⅝@1.02⅛; No. 3, red, 1.00@1.01⅜; No. 2, hard, 1.03@1.03¼; No. 3, hard, 1.01@1.03; No. 1, Northern, 1.11⅛@1.14½; No. 2, Northern, 1.09⅛@1.13¾; No. 3, Northern, 1.04½@1.11½; No. 2, Spring, 1.03@1.11; No. 3, Spring, 1.00@1.08; No. 4, Spring, 90@1.06; velvet chaff, 90@1.10; durum, 90@1.06.

Corn—No. 3, 64¾@65; No. 3, white, 65@65½; No. 3, yellow, 65@65¾; No. 4, 62½@63¾; No. 4, white, 63@63½; No. 4, yellow, 63@63½.

Oats—No. 2, 52½; No. 2, white, 53½@54; No. 3, 50@53; No. 4, 48@51½; No. 4, white, 53@53½.

Wheat:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
May	1.03¼	1.03¼	1.03⅛	1.03⅜
July	96¾	96⅞	96¼	96⅛
Sept	96⅝	96⅞	94⅛	94⅝
Corn:				
May	68½	68¾	68½	68¾
July	68¾	68¾	68	68⅛
Sept	68⅞	68⅞	68¼	68⅝
Oats:				
May	52⅝	52⅝	52½	52⅝
July	48¾	48¼	48	48½
Sept	41⅞	42	41⅞	42
Mess Pork, per bbl.:				
May	16.20	16.20	16.17½	16.20
July	16.40	16.40	16.35	16.37½
Sept	16.50	16.52½	16.47½	16.52½
Lard, per 100 lbs.:				
May	9.32½	9.32½	9.25	9.25
July	9.45	9.45	9.40	9.42½
Sept	9.60	9.60	9.57½	9.57½
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.:				
May	8.80	8.80	8.75	8.77½
July	8.85	8.85	8.82½	8.82½
Sept	8.95	8.95	8.95	8.95

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Feb. 3

Market, steady on North Carolinas and Virginias; stronger on Spanish.

North Carolinas—Farmers' stock: Prime hand-picked, $1.25; machine-picked, $1.20.

Spanish—Prime hand-picked, $1.10; machine-picked, $1.05.

Virginia—Prime hand-picked, 75c.; machine-picked, 70c.

NEW ORLEANS REVIEW.

Prices for Cotton and Movement for Week Just Closed.

New Orleans, Feb. 10.—The cotton market was again under bull control this week and closed at a net advance of 25 to 51 points. The high prices were made on Saturday and the low prices on Tuesday. At the highest the trading months were 29 to 55 points over last week's close; at the lowest they were 18 to 29 points under.

Bullish manipulation of the short interests in the contract and spot markets was chiefly responsible for the advance. Shorts in both departments were forced to cover by a rising market. It was not until the latter part of the week that any fresh buying for long account of consequence was in evidence in futures. At the close of the week many brokers claimed that their books had been cleaned of short cotton.

The movement was large and caused another increase in the visible supply, but this did not affect prices adversely. The advance continued right up to the end of the week.

Liverpool sent over bullish cables during the week to the effect that the demand for both raw cotton and finished goods was keen. The rise in the price of silver was an important feature of the week. The weather of the week was favorable. The into-sight movement for the week was 422,563 bales, against 227,445 this week last year and 154,835 this week two years ago.

In the spot department the demand was good and prices had a strong rising tendency. Middling closed at a rise of 1-2 cent, being quoted at 10 1-2, against 10 cents last week and 14 5-8 this week last year. Sales on the spot amounted to 11,620 bales, against 11,830 last week, and 1,796 this week last year. Sales to arrive amounted to 9,925 bales, against 5,245 last week and 3,538 this week last year.

THE DRY GOODS MARKET

New York, Feb. 10.—The cotton goods markets rule strong and general advances are being announced. Linens are higher and burlaps are being bought freely. Yarns are very firm.

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A STRIKE INNOVATION

Lawrence Children Distributed In New York Homes

New York, Feb. 10.—An innovation in labor war tactics was tried tonight by the distribution here of 119 children whose parents are engaged in the textile strike at Lawrence, Mass. Their arrival had been heralded as due early in the afternoon, but owing to failure to make train connections at Boston, the children did not arrive until five hours later and during that time a crowd of several hundred Socialists stood shivering in the Grand Central station awaiting their coming. Red banners and a large number of socialistic emblems were borne by the crowd and when at last the train arrived a band blared forth "The Marseillaise," and mighty cheers were given.

At the labor temple to which they were taken the children were ranged around long tables where hot steaming soup, rice, potatoes and other vegetables were consumed with enthusiasm as the youngsters had had nothing to eat all day except a scanty breakfast at Lawrence and sandwiches brought with them.

By the time the meal was over the children were feeling happy enough to cheer and sing "The Marseillaise." A large mass of people packed outside the doors, took up the words of the revolutionary hymn and it was sung and resung.

Among the large number of persons who gathered to offer to take care of the children were Mrs O. H. P. Belmont and the Rev. Percy Stickney Grant, pastor of the Church of the Ascension. Mrs. Belmont and the minister were denied, however, being told that there were more than 700 applications and only 119 children.

When the distribution of the children began difficulties were encountered when it came to splitting up a family. One little golden-haired girl burst into tears and cried loudly for her "brother."

The scene convinced the committee that it would not do to separate families and many persons agreed to take five and even six children temporarily until a further distribution could be made.

Lawrence, Mass., Feb. 10.—William D. Haywood and other officials of the Industrial Workers of the World, declared today that there will be no settlement of the textile strike here until Joseph J. Ettor, the former strike leader, is freed of the charge of murder on which he is now in jail. On the other hand directors of the Central Labor Union, backed by the American Federation of Labor, went ahead with plans for presenting to the mill agents next Monday the demands of various classes of skilled operatives.

Following the suggestion made some time ago by Governor Foss, the directors will suggest that the mill owners take back their help allowing them 56 hours pay for 54 hours work and then take up the demands of the different departments during the 30 days following.

VIRGINIA WON THE MEET

Track Team Carried Off the Honors at Washington

Washington, Feb. 10.—The track team of the University of Virginia carried off the honors at the annual indoor meet of George Washington University here today. W. R. Cook was its star, winning the 1,000-yard open handicap easily, while in the 880-yard run he was beaten only by inches. He started from scratch in both events.

Swarthmore College had things easy in its race with Carlisle, as did Richmond College with George Washington. The feature of the evening, the two-mile run, was won by Fleming, of George Washington. One-mile relay: Won by University of Virginia; Washington and Lee, second. Time 3:51

Bacon, of Baltimore City College, won the mile race in 4:43 3-5 at the George Washington Athletic meet tonight. Lee, of Johns Hopkins was second. Other events:

50-yard hurdles, open handicap, won by Ward, Virginia. Time 6 1-5 seconds.

1,000-yard open handicap, won by Cocke, Virginia. Time 3:32.

50-yard dash, novice, won by Hayne Washington and Lee. Time 6 seconds.

50-yard open, won by Brown, Central Y. M. C. A., Baltimore. Time 5:4 seconds.

600-yard novice, won by Hart, Virginia. Time 1:29.

One-mile college relay, won by Richmond College. Time 4:11.

Washington Y. M. C. A. Time 2:09 1-5.

Running high jump, won by Liebenberger, Johns Hopkins, 5 feet, 9 inches.

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TAFT HURLS DEFIANCE.

Campaign a Period in Which to Get Rid of Lies.

Washington, Feb. 10.—President Taft, speaking with campaign fervor and defiance, told an enthusiastic gathering at the annual banquet of the League of State Republican Clubs that he welcomed the coming campaign as a "four month period in which to get rid of lies and misrepresentations."

The President had listened for two hours to a variety of speeches lauding his administration and attacking the Democratic party. He said he felt sorry for the scathing which Democratic Presidential possibilities had received, remarking that it was hard for them to promise things which they knew nothing about. In the Fall of 1910, he said, there was some reason for Democrats to believe that they would meet with success in 1912, but at present he compared their party to an athletic team which had spent its force "in the middle of the season."

The President declared that even in 1910 the confidence of the Democrats of ultimate victory in the whole government was misplaced as the vote then was a "review of Republicans by Republicans" and constituted a misunderstanding which has been clearing itself away in the Republican party, which has given evidences of the good faith in which it is carrying out its promises of 1908.

"We have reason to congratulate ourselves," said the President, "on the evidence that the enemy have gotten beyond the point of their greatest strength. They began with harmony but with that unerring accuracy they have selected the right time to do the wrong thing."

The President declared the Democrats had trifled with the army and navy by reducing its strength and "when business peace is most important, they have selected this time by radical changes to break up the industries of the country by changes which will not permit those industries to live.

"The Republican party is still the Republican party. It is not a reactionary party. It never was a reactionary party. The Republican party, however, is the progressive party, yet adhering to the fundamentals of the constitution which it will not surrender.

"We are going into the campaign. It is a clearing atmosphere and we ought to welcome it because it is a four month period to get rid of lies and misrepresentations. And we can show that on the record of the Republican party we can count on victory."

STRIKING COAL MINERS

Serious Disturbances Reported From Mons, France

Mons, France, Feb 10.—A detachment of Chasseurs came into conflict tonight with striking coal miners who have been engaged in serious disorders. The Chasseurs charged the strikers with their bayonets and then fired a volley into the mob, two of whom were killed. The enraged rioters attacked the troops so fiercely that the soldiers broke ranks and fled. Subsequently they rallied and charged again, scattering the mob, numbers of which were injured.

The disorders which occurred here and in the surrounding districts today are a consequence of a strike of the coal miners for more wages. Many stores were pillaged.

Several regiments have been ordered to the scene to assist in maintaining order.

Food distribution is difficult, and there is great suffering among the poorer classes and in some cases whole families begging along the road side. There have been several encounters between strikers and soldiers and an unsuccessful attempt was made today to assassinate the mayor.

FIVE WORKMEN KILLED.

Aerial Cable Across Platte River Broke—Medical Assistance.

Casper, Wyo., Feb. 10.—The snapping of an aerial cable across the Platte river at the government Pathfinder dam last night hurled a gang of workmen from the tram car 168 feet to the rocks below. Five are dead and several others seriously injured, according to meagre reports received here.

The scene of the accident is five miles southwest of Casper. A courier after an all night ride through a wild and rugged country reached Casper today with the first word of the accident and an appeal for medical assistance.

The men were crossing the river in the aerial tram, as had been their custom for months, when the cable broke, and the car and men dropped to the rocks.

A relief party, including physicians and undertakers was organized and left immediately for the dam. Until their return further details are not available.

PEWTER PLATTER CLUB.

Walter H. Page Made Principal Address at Dinner.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 10.—Dr. Walter H. Page, editor of the World's Work, was the principal speaker at a dinner given by the Pewter Platter Club tonight. Other speakers were Dr. W. R. Abbott, of Belleville, Va., and Chas. Henry Butler, recorder of the Supreme Court of the United States.

Dr. Abbott advocated the establishment of settlement banks such as those in Germany. Mr. Butler responded to the toast "Virginia, the Home of John Marshall."

Mr. Abbott's talk was on the literature of the past.

The dinner did not develop the sensation that a similar feast did a year ago, when Woodrow Wilson, the guest of honor, advocated the referendum and recall.

Roanoke, Va., Feb 10.—President Heins, of the Roanoke club, one of the three Virginia League clubs that were suspended by the National Board and excluded from the Virginia League Association, today wired Secretary Farrell that he would make application for a franchise in the new organization.

C. R. Williams, president of the old Virginia League, wired Petersburg and Norfolk, who had been supporting him to take like action. In speaking of his attitude, Mr. Williams said that he was glad the trouble was ended and that in consideration of the baseball public he would not take further action in the matter.

It's a good deal easier to learn how to run an automobile than to pay the cost of it.

THE MEXICAN MUDDLE.

Rebels Are Still Destroying Property. Troop Movements.

Mexico City, Feb. 10.—Mexico would not transport troops through United States territory now, even if the Washington government had not withdrawn its permission for such action, according to an official message sent to Washington today.

Government officials here say rurales at Juarez are loyal and it is not necessary to replace them with Federals. Even should the government wish to send the troops through United States territory, however, it would take at least two weeks to arrange formalities necessary to gain consent of the Senate.

The proceedings for a special session of the Senate requested by President Madero will go forward in the meantime in order that the plan may be carried out later if the emergency arises and the permission is granted by the United States.

Although wire communication was reestablished with Chihuahua today, the railroad is still out of commission. New activities of the rebels were reported in the Torreon district.

A 300-foot bridge on the Cahuilla & Pacific Railroad, 15 miles east of Torreon, was burned and 10 ranches in the vicinity were pillaged. The pleadings of women and children refugees on a passenger train which fell into the hands of the raiders gained permission for the train to return to Torreon.

El Paso, Tex., Feb. 10.—Governor Abraham Gonzales, of Chihuahua, minister of the interior in the cabinet of Madero, of Mexico, arrived from Spoford Junction late today with a plan which he believes will result in pacification of Chihuahua. His proposal consists of the immediate disbursement of $250,000 among the former soldiers of Madero and $50,000 among the widows and orphans of the soldiers who fell in battle.

He is also empowered to begin an immediate sale of State and National land in small tracts to the soldiers and poorer classes of Chihuahua. The buyers will receive the land at a low figure on deferred payments.

San Diego, Cal., Feb. 10.—Dispatches from the State of Sonora tonight confirm reports of an uprising of 3,000 Yaqui Indians near Guayamas. The Indians, infuriated because President Madero has failed, as they say, to keep his promises, have secured modern rifles, plenty of ammunition and good horses, and have gone on a rampage. A section gang employed on the Southern Pacific De Mexico was surprised and captured by the Indians yesterday. With the exception of the foreman, who escaped, all were tortured to death.

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GOSSIP OF FOREIGN CAPITALS

Portuguese Colonies in Africa to be Bone of Contention—Wage-Earners in Lancashire—Mysteries of Okhrana in Russia—Brigands.

London, Feb. 10.—The next big tussle between the powers of Europe, as far as can be seen at present, is to be over the Portuguese colonies in Africa.

This time England and Germany will come directly face to face; each will be fighting her own diplomatic battle, not that of her friends and allies, as in the Moroccan and Bosnia and Herzegovina cases. The British government is being urged by the Imperialists to take the matter up immediately and get her share at the same time that Germany comes into hers. Germany, there is no doubt, is willing; in some quarters it is believed that she has her preliminary negotiations well under way, while Portugal, being in need of money and knowing that the present is a good time to sell, is not averse to parting with colonies which she cannot afford to keep up.

A glance at the map makes the division of the colonies between England and Germany look easy. The Portuguese East African possessions are bordered on the south and west by British South Africa and on the north by German East Africa. There are two ports, Delagoa Bay, on which England has had an option for some years, and Beira, a little further north, which England would certainly wish as her share, as they would give her great South African colonies outlets to the sea through British territory. The difficulty would arise in dividing the rest of this colony. Germany would consider herself entitled to a portion of it to extend her East African colony and the trouble would come in deciding where the dividing line should be. Some Englishmen think all of Portuguese East Africa should become British, for Germany's share of the division would be Angola on the west coast.

Angola has a coast line of 1,000 miles and an area of about half a million square miles. The acquisition of this extensive and rich territory by Germany, adjoining as it does her South West African possessions, would give her that Central African empire of which German expansionists talk. England, it is understood, has already intimated to Germany that she would offer no opposition to this acquisition, and in fact it is believed to have been this to which Sir Edward Grey referred when he spoke of offering no obstacle to German expansion in Africa.

But there would be long and perhaps bitter controversy before the transfers could be completed. With the suspicion existing between the two countries and the determination of both to give up nothing that they believe to be in the interest of their respective empires to maintain, there would be lots of opportunities for squalls. The islands along the coast of Angola, although Portuguese territory, are practically owned by British merchants, and influential ones, too, while a Liberal government is in power. The great cocoa manufacturers of England, strangely enough, all Radicals, owning papers to advance their political views, get their raw material from these islands, of which St. Thome and Principe are the largest. Germany would want the islands with the mainland, and these cocoa magnates would doubtless raise the objection that they had acquired rights there that would be injured by the change in ownership. There are also a few border questions to settle, but these aside, England would probably be anxious to give a favorable reply when Portugal and Germany, having completed the deal, asked for her views, according to diplomatic usage. A favorable answer might relieve the tension between the two countries and pave the way for a cordial welcome to King George when he pays his coronation visit to Berlin some time this year.

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The result of an inquiry to discover the degree in which the employing classes are recruited from the wage-earning classes in the Lancashire cotton industry, shows that in this industry at least, there are great opportunities for men in England. The inquiry was made by two men whose decision can be said to be perfectly unbiased, Prof. S. J. Chapman and Mr. F. J. Marquis.

They state that returns received from a number of manufacturers showed that some 80 per cent. of those willing to give information had begun life as operatives or clerks. A direct investigation was made in one manufacturing town, and it transpired that some 60 per cent. of the heads of private manufacturing businesses owed their position to their own efforts, and that they had begun life in the lower economic ranks. The investigation being extended to spinning, and of 65 directors of cotton mills approached y letter, replies were received from 45, of whom 33 were self-made men. A spinning district was visited, and a direct investigation showed that 13 per cent of the managing directors, 42 per cent. of the mill managers and 67 per cent. of the assistant managers, came from working class families or from families with incomes about the same as those earned by the operatives. The investigators also reached the conclusion that despite the expanding dimensions of the factories during the past century, it is still possible to make small beginnings in industrial management.

Some of the manufacturers declared that trade unionism was stunting the growth of initiative and producing a dead level of mediocrity among the workers, but that opinion was not borne out by further inquiry, for the trade unions approved the promotion of their members to the positions of foremen or managers. The spread of technical education and the improvement of general education had also greatly stimulated the vertical mobility of the population. It is proposed to carry out investigations in other trades with the view of removing the impression that the prevailing unrest is the result of the contraction rather than the expansion of the opportunities of the working classes.

The Russian Capital.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 10.—The mysteries of the Okhrana (political protective police) have again drawn public attention through the attempted suicide of Ivan Constantinoff, one of the prominent agents of its St. Petersburg branch.

On the morning of the day set for his wedding, Constantinoff shot himself at his lodging in the dismal factory section of the city, and is now in a critical state at the hospital. His papers have been seized by the police, and his lodging sealed, the public being left to guess at the actual motives of his action.

It is known that on the evening before the shooting, Constantinoff attended a nuptial-eve party given by his fiancee. Many young women and men studying at the university and other institutions were present, and some of them are said to have recognized in the bridegroom a police agent who took part in perquisitions at the lodging of political suspects. Constantinoff was overwhelmed at this discovery and dropped on his knees before his fiancee, begging forgiveness. She, however, threw the engagement ring in his face, and asked him to leave the house. His despair led to an attempt to take his own life.

Constantinoff was the trusted assistant of Col. Karpoff, the chief of the secret police of St. Petersburg, who was enticed on December 22, 1909, to an apartment in a remote part of the city and assassinated by the explosion of a bomb fitted into the drawer of a writing desk and ignited by the electric button at the extrance door. The lodging was kept by Vosskressensky-Petroff, a social revolutionist who served as police agent to advance the ends of his party. Constantinoff, accompanied his chief on that fatal occasion, disguised as footman, and was gravely wounded by the explosion. In 1905 Constantinoff worked in the revolutionary camp and was often imprisoned. He led one of the columns in Father Gapon's famous march to the Winter Palace on Red Sunday.

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Reports from Harbin state that renewed depredations by the Hunhuz brigands have caused the Russian authorities to adopt active measures.

Gen. Martynoff has sent a circular to the frontier guards all along Manchuria to deal promptly in such cases and not to consider themselves hampered by the existence of the frontier, but to pursue the brigands into Chinese territory and corral them where they can.

One such expedition on a large scale has failed in its object, a second expedition is being prepared by the authorities.

Meanwhile astonishment mixed with amusement has been caused by the discovery that the real head of these Hunhuzes in the vicinity of Harbin has been none other than a Russian subject, the Caucasian prince Matchutadze. His big band terrorized mostly private individuals and avoided as far as possible coming in contact with the Russian railroad and military settlements. The headquarters of Prince Matchutadze's operations has been in resorts of various kinds in Harbin, most of which are conducted by Caucasions.

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The Russian government is redoubling its efforts to advance the Amur railroad line to completion. Arrangements have been completed for the transportation this year free of cost of 107,000 laborers with their families from European Russia. The principle of employing only Russian labor has been strictly adhered to, despite the fact that it almost doubles the cost to the treasury. Hopes are entertained that a large proportion of the workmen attracted to the line will remain there as settlers, all the more as promising gold-bearing land is being discovered on many points in the "tundra" which is traversed by the railroad.

In addition to these, the government is preparing to transport 200,000 other settlers to the Amur province.

PRAYER OF A HORSE.

A Plea for the Poor Dumb Brute who is Often Mistreated.

To Thee, My Master, I Offer My Prayer:

Feed me, water and care for me and when the day's work is done, provide me with shelter, a clean, dry bed and a stall wide enough for me to lie down in comfort. Talk to me. Your voice often means as much to me as the reins. Pet me, sometimes that I may serve you the more gladly and learn to love you.

Do not jerk the reins and do not whip me when going up hill. Never strike, beat or kick me when I do not understand what you mean, but give me a chance to understand you. Watch me, and if I fail to do your bidding, see if something is not wrong with my harness or feet.

Examine my teeth when I do not eat. I may have an ulcerated tooth and that, you know, is very painful. Do not tie my head in an unnatural position or take away my best defense against flies and mosquitoes by cutting off my tail.

And finally, Oh, my master, when my useful strength is gone, do not turn me out to starve or freeze, or sell me to some cruel owner to be slowly tortured and starved to death; but do thou, my master, take my life in the kindest way and your God will reward you here and hereafter. You may not consider me irreverent if I ask this in the name of Him who was born in a stable. Amen.

Most politicians expect plums and get lemons.

SUNDAY MORNING THOUGHTS

(By T. W. C.)

The same golden opportunity never knocks at the same door twice.—Ram's Horn.

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The hypocrite in the church is the devil's imitation of the Christian.—Ram's Horn.

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It is a natural for men to go down stream as it is for water to do it.—Ram's Horn.

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It is hard to convince an improvident man that he isn't the victim of bad luck.—Ram's Horn.

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The man who has no ambition will never have much of anything else.

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It is not a question of the nature of the way, but does it lead home.

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It is Winter, but not necessarily the "Winter of our discontent."

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Cheerfulness is health; its opposite, melancholy, is disease.—Haliburton.

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Cheerfulness is the child of virtue, and the father of usefulness.

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Our greatest glory is not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall.—Confucius.

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It is mighty hard to believe in Providence, when Providence does not turn things in our direction.

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I would rather have a fool make me merry, than experience make me sad.—Shakespeare.

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The road of By-and-By leads to the town of Never, and the town of Never is in the land of Nowhere, and its inhabitants are Nobodies.

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If you wish to make a train, it is better to be a day ahead, than a minute late. The man who is on time, is usually ahead of time.

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The way to have faith sufficient for the great trials when they come is to walk by faith day by day.

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Let every man be occupied, and occupied in the highest employment of which his nature is capable, and die with the consciousness that he has done his best.—Sydney Smith.

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A great man does whatever he has to do, be that thing great or small as well as that thing can be done.

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Life is a rich quarry, but it takes mighty hard digging to get the gold.

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It is the "impossible" people that try the patience of saints.

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Satan often rocks the cradle while we sleep.

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The character of your associations will largely determine your life.

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The man who is willing to die for the truth is the best friend of mankind.

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Conceit may puff a man up, but can never prop him up.—Ruskin..

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To live a lie is worse than telling a lie.

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An angel's arm can't snatch me from the grave: legions of angels can't confine me there."

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One of the real difficulties in acquiring knowledge, is to unlearn much that we have learned.

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If you were not born under a "lucky star," see that you get under one.

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The City of Paris sends poor feeble children to the seaside or to the country for a month's vacation. The City Council votes annually large sums of money for this purpose. Also a system of school camps and colonies has been established for the children of the working people. We are glad to know that Paris is not at all gayety and frivolity.

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Our great thoughts, our great affections, the truths of our life, never leave us. Surely they can not separate from our consciousness, shall follow it withersoever that shall go, and are of their nature divine and immortal.—Thackery.

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It is not only according to charity, but according to good reason to judge the character of people by their virtues rather than by their faults, for their virtues represent what they in most cases really desire to be.

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It is beautiful to see that faith is the source and foundation of all hope and comfort and earnestness and diligence in earthly as well as heavenly things.—James Hinton.

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That grace enfolds all, because it takes account of each. Whilst it is love for a sinful world, every soul of us may say, "He loved me, and" therefore "gave Himself for me."—Alexander McClaren.

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I spoke a kind word almost thoughtlessly, and a long time afterward one thanked me for it, with tears in his eyes. Then, I thought, since kindness costs so little and helps so much, why am I not always kind?—William E. Barton.

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God will dwell in your heart, and where he reigns all is peace. But, if you should fail and commit some of your old faults, do not be disheartened, but rise up and go on again, as though you had not fallen.—Francis de Sales.

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Difficulties find their being more in our way of looking at things than in actual facts. Several members of a certain family found it extremely difficult to get to breakfast early enough to have family prayers afterward before separating for the day. One morning the head of the house quietly set the clocks twenty minutes fast, and called the others at what seemed to be the accustomed time. They were, as usually, fifteen minutes or so later in dressing and breakfasting than they needed to be, but all were quite surprised to find, after breakfast was over, that they still had time enough for prayers—when the clocks were set right—and nobody was a bit the worse for it. It had proved just as easy for them to be on time—when they did not know it—as to be late; the only difference was in their way of looking at the thing. We can not fool ourselves into duty-doing as they were fooled into it; but we can sensibly recognize that the chief difficulty in duty-doing is of our own imagining, and then go ahead and do what we ought to do. We are likely to find our hardships as unexpectedly easy as did the late-risers.

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To stretch my hand and touch Him,
Though He be far away;
To raise my eyes and see Him,
Through darkness and through day;
To lift my voice and call Him—
This is to pray!
To feel a hand extended
By one who standeth near;
To view the love that shineth
In eyes serene and clear;
To know that He is calling—
This is to hear!

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The eye turned inward upon self is often the reason for that unrestful spirit in which too many spend their lives. We want some larger thing to look upon than self can give. The search for mere endowment of our lives with gifts can never long content us. The world is a smaller thing than the heart of God's child. Whatever we seek—weather it be wealth or power or pleasure, or even the thoughts and affections of the heart—we come soon to the limits of content. The child of God can only find rest in the heart of God. All literature is full of testimonies to this inadequacy of earth to satisfy a human soul and put to sleep its longings. Such a poem as Tennyson's "Palace of Art" takes for the theme the effort to find satisfaction in the highest beauties and gifts of the creative imagination. The treasures are collected, but the dissatisfaction is not stilled. The sated heart is not at rest. It must turn to God and to the works of God as instruments of help for others before it can enjoy what man or od has made in fullest measure.

FOX HUNTERS BUSY.

Series of Interesting Runs at Pinehurst—Other Notes.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Pinehurst, N. C., Feb. 10.—A varied series of runs are interesting the fox hunters, remarkable for their length and diversity, for the grey of the section possesses not only the craft and cunning of their kind, but the endurance of the red, a few of which are found roundabouts.

One of the most novel hunts of the season was enjoyed on Monday and reynard is still at large as a tribute to his originality, by M. F. H., James T. Twitty. Started after rollicking trailing of an hour and a quarter the pack burst forth into full voice close up, indicating a speedy run and quick catch. Half an hour the hunt followed expectant, covering some ten miles in as clean a "figure eight" as ever was cut with skates; but no nearer, apparently, than at the start. Then a swing to the north, down wind, varied the monotony and another figure eight, which lost itself in another half circle dash only to reform again into the graceful number.

"Dun beats me." was Huntsman Nat's puzzled comment. "Don't seem ter be gainin' a mite. I reckon we're runnin' a couple foxes an' they'se relayin' in and restin' up on us." Master Twitty's reply was inaudible, but presently his absence was noted from the hunt.

Half an hour later he rejoined the chase, still in full cry, like a stage steeple chase on a treadmill, almost but not quite. "Call 'em off, Nat," was his strange command and old soldier that he is, Huntsman obeyed without question, casting side glances at Master, whose laughter mingled with the mellow horn.

"What do you suppose we are up against," he queried, when the last straggling nound had ceased to protest. "That chap's been doubling up and running close behind us; just having a lovely time letting the pack set the pace. He certainly deserves some consideration, and so I am going to keep him for special exhibition occasions. He beats an anise seed bag flat."

MUNICIPAL HEALTH CONDITIONS

Interesting Deductions Drawn by the State Board of Health

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 10.—The fundamental facts upon which the study of municipal health problems must be based are two, viz: The relative death rate and the cause of death.

The Federal census of 1910 has just made public the death rate in American cities, but has not yet tabulated and published the average annual death rate from various diseases.

The figures published show the average annual death rate in the cities of the United States to be 16.1 per 100,000, while in the principal cities of North Carolina the figures are: For Raleigh, 27.9; Wilmington, 20.8; Winston, 20.3; Durham, 19.9; Asheville, 19.7; Greensboro, 19.0, and Charlotte, 17.7. Excepting the apparently abnormal figures for Raleigh, there is a striking parallel between the death rates of North Carolina cities and the percentage of their negro population. The larger the negro population, the greater the death rate.

Though many of the white people are not blameless, that the tendency of the negro population to disregard sanitary practices and hygiene habits aggravates the difficulty om maintain satisfactory public health conditions is well recognized. Nevertheless, considering the favorable natural conditions which conduce to a high standard of public health obtaining in North Carolina, the death rate given above leave little room for boastfulness to any of her larger cities.

Be it said to their credit, however, that all are giving more and more consideration to public health problems, particularly in the prime factors of municipal sanitation, pure and wholesome water supplies and adequate sewerage removal. But the chief deficiency which applies to all alike is failure to pay sufficient attention to the important matter of providing for the support of a properly sustained and effective health department as a function of the municipal government.

Immunity from disease in community life is no more to be expected as a matter of fact than that the burglar and the highwayman shall not threaten the life and property or that the fire fiend shall not cause widespread destruction if left unguarded and uncontrolled.

No thinking man capable of holding public office will seriously argue that the material asset that is conserved by the police and fire departments of our cities is of greater civic value than the vital assets of the human factor in city growth and development. Yet note the prevalent disregard of this true relation of civic assets in municipal budgets in too many instances.

Is this because city politics loves too well a shining light and that public health activities carry no limelight attachment?

Modern knowledge, so plain that no intelligent observer can fail to see, demonstrates that the standard of health in community life is easily and directly controllable by intelligently directed means. No longer can ignorance excuse neglect of public health considerations in municipal life. If the government of our cities is to be conducted on a plane of modern intelligence, the public health must be recognized and provided for as of first importance. The traditional conception of governmental functions, when ignorance of the laws of health prevailed, must be abandoned, and set up in its place there must be a more rational co-ordination of official responsibility with the first consideration given to the life and health of the people, to the conservation of the greatest of all natural resources, the public health.

GROWTH OF ELECTRICITY

Elimination of Waste and Use of the Wizard Current

New York, N. Y., Feb. 10.—The elimination of waste is the problem which every modern business man is trying to solve. Man has learned how to generate gigantic power by the use of running water, steam and gas, but much of it has hitherto gone to waste on account of the difficulty of subdividing it. When only one or two machines in a factory are in use, it is often necessary to expend enough power to drive every machine in the shop. Until the development of electric generators and motors it was impossible to subdivide power, except by the use of separate engines, which made the cost prohibitory. Electricity has proved that it can divide power as can nothing else.

The rapid growth of the use of electricity is evidenced by the fact that of the hundreds of thousands of students who have taken courses at the International Correspondence School at Scranton, Pa., 225,070 have taken courses in electrical engineering as against 126,788 who have taken courses in mechanical engineering and 124,045 who have taken courses in steam engineering. The Electrical Engineers' Handbook published by that institution points out that the individual motor drive, under ordinary working conditions, is more than three times as efficient as the line shaft and belt drive. It says:

"The power required to drive the line shafting and belts in a factory where the motive power is all in one source is about equal to the power required to drive all the machines in the shop at their maximum output; that is, if all the tools working simultaneously at maximum output require 100 horsepower, the belts and shafting will require about 100 horsepower more, and this power, which is all lost in friction, must be supplied all the time, even tough only a few of the machines are working. On the other hand, if, in the same shop, each tool is equipped with a motor only about 43 horsepower will be lost in transmission from the motive power of the dyramo to the tools when they are all working at maximum output; that is, 143 horsepower is consumed and 100 horsepower, or 70 per cent of this is supplied to the tools, against 50 per cent with belts and shafting. But, in machine shop work, it is found that so many machines are always idle or working on light load that only about 30 per cent of the total capacity of all the machines is in use at the same time; that is, the load factor is approximately 30 per cent. With the line shafting and belts, the total power supplied to the shop is then 130 horsepower, of which 30 horsepower, or 23 per cent, is used by the tools; with individual motor drive, the losses decrease approximately as the load. At 30 per cent load, the loss would be 30 per cent of 43 horsepower, or 13 horsepower, and the total power is 43 horsepower, of which 30 horsepower, or 70 per cent is used. In other words, the individual motor drive, under ordinary working conditions, is more than three times as efficient as the line shaft and belt drive.

"However, it would not usually be economical to install a small motor on each of a number of small machines; better results are often obtained by driving a number of small machines in a group from a comparatively short line shaft driven by a larger motor."

We venture to say that Hon. Thomas Settle will stay where he is in preference to having bestowed upon him the empty honor of nomination for the governorship in North Carolina on the Republican ticket. He has been too long landing that "something just as good" to give it up merely for the purpose of pursuing a forlorn hope.—Greensboro Record.

A political dark horse is a nightmare to the others in the race.

EAT AND GET THIN.

This is turning an old phrase face about, but modern methods of reducing fat have made this revision possible.

If you are overfat and also averse to physical exertion and likewise fond of the table and still want to reduce your excess flesh several pounds, do this: Go to your druggist (or write the Marmola Co., 606 Farmer Bldg., Detroit, Mich.) and give him (or send them) 75 cents. For this modest amount of money the druggist will put you in the way of satisfying your ambition for a nice, trim, slim figure. He will hand you a large case of Marmola Prescription Tablets (compounded in accordance with the famous Marmola Prescription), one of which you must take after each meal and at bedtime until you begin to lose your fat at the rate of 12 to 16 ounces a day. That is all. Just go on eating what you like, leave exercising to the athletes, but take your little tablet faithfully and without a doubt that flabby flesh will quickly take unto itself wings, leaving behind it your natural self, neatly clothed in firm flesh and trim muscles.

NEW YORK'S FLOATING DEBT

Greater Than That of Nation—London Styles—Baseball In Air—Tariff Reduction—City Police and Its Weight

New York, Feb. 10.—That Father Knickerbocker has at last succeeded in contracting a municipal indebtedness exceeding the national debt of Uncle Sam is the startling situation revealed by the report which the Comptroller has just submitted to Mayor Gaynor. This report shows that the gross indebtedness of New York city now amounts to the enormous sum of $1,037,811,718, which in round numbers is $20,000 more than the public indebtedness of the United States government. That an income far greater than that enjoyed by any crowned head is necessary to provide for the municipal needs is indicated by the fact that during the past year the city's funded debt was increased by the tidy sum of $7,000,000 of which more than $44,000,000 represents bonds issued for rapid transit work and the great new water supply system. Enormous as is his financial indebtedness, however, Father Knickerbocker's situation is not so involved as might appear on the surface. While the total debt exceeds a billion dollars, the net debt is considerably less than that sum by reason of the fact that about $45,000,000 of the indebtedness is represented either by bonds held in the sinking fund or by self-sustaining bonds which are exempt. These factors reduce the net debt with contract obligations outstanding to $660,000,000 and leaves the borrowing power of the city at $125,000,000. Even these ameliorating figures, however, cannot disguise the fact that in its financial operations this city within a comparatively few number of years is practically certain far to outstrip the national government.

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That New York has formulated a new declaration of independence from England, or rather London, so far as the fashions of men's wearing apparel is concerned, is indicated by the figures covering the importation of British made clothing for the past year. While feminine America continues to look to Europe and particularly Paris for guidance as to what it shall or shall not wear, masculine America seems rapidly to be asserting its independence of foreign made styles. Just how this change is to be accounted for, in view of the fact that two decades ago foreign made clothing was supposed to be the most correct thing among New York's best known men is attributed to several causes, among which is the import duty and the growing divergence of English and American tastes. That men are no more free than women from the necessity of some established standard of fashion is indicated by the fact that nearly one thousand tailors with a gross business amounting to about $50,000,000 annually will meet here next week at the convention of the National Association of Merchant Tailors, at which the styles for the ensuing year will practically be decided upon. Man, however, seems to have one great advantage over women in this connection since while no one can be found who is willing to believe that such recent innovations as the hobble skirt aim at comfort, it is well-known that the changes made by the Association from year to year are based first of all on this practical point, so that mere man seems to be safe at least from the extreme fashions

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THE WEEK'S NEWS IN BRIEF

Important Happenings, Day by Day, Compiled and Republished for the Benefit of the Busy Man and the Week-End Reader—New York Markets for Each Day of the Six.

SUNDAY.

The "Rock Hill Plan" will be tried in Georgia.

A woman was handed a package in New York yesterday, which exploded and killed her instantly.

Andrew Carnegie yesterday refused to address a Roosevelt convetion and declared he was for Taft.

The Cook county Republican convention yesterday cheered the mention of Roosevelt's name, but voted to endorse Taft.

The New York cotton exchange will not accept the government's standard classification unless some changes are made in it.

A cold wave and blizzard is sweeping over the country, and extreme cold weather, with snow in some portions, is promised in the South today.

General Orozco is hastening to Chihuahua in the hope that he may be able to put a quietus on the mutiny of the soldiers there. He will use moral persuasion only.

The British steamer Consols was reported afire off the Virginia coast yesterday. The crew has been saved but the greater part of the vessel and its cargo of cotton will be lost.

The football rules committee which has been in secret session for two days, yesterday announced some vital changes, which will be made in the rules as they are now constituted.

The Lorimer investigating committee was treated to another sensation yesterday, when the official stenographer accused a subordinate of faking notes. He was held in contempt.

New York markets: Money on call, nominal. Spot cotton, in quiet demand. Flour, firm. Wheat, firm; No. 2, red, 1.04, elevator, export basis, and 1.05 1-2 f.o.b. afloat. Corn, easy; export, 73 f.o.b. afloat. Rosin and turpentine, steady.

TUESDAY.

The deputy attorney general of Pennsylvania asked the State Supreme Court yesterday for a change of venue in the cases of the Coatsville lynchers.

A resolution aimed at Roosevelt, denouncing the idea of Presidential third terms, was sidetracked in the House yesterday.

The Federal grand jury investigating the dynamite conspiracy is expected to return 30 indictments today and the arrests will follow shortly.

Senator LaFollette announced last night that despite ill health he would not withdraw from the race for the Republican Presidential nomination.

The mysterious package explosion which resulted in the death of Mrs. Helen Taylor Saturday, was investigated yesterday and Charles M. Dickinson was held as a suspect.

Regular and Insurgent Republicans fraternized in a caucus last night, which named the Congressional Committee, and were very enthusiastic over the outlook for victory.

Gen. Orozco may be appointed military dictator of the State of Chihuahua. The United States War Department has a campaign already mapped out in case intervention becomes necessary in Mexico.

Three men, R. A. Johnson, H. T. Porter and Fred Jernigan, of Benson, N. C., were found asphyxiated in the Wilson Apartments at Raleigh yesterday, their death being probably due to ignorant handling of the gas jets in their room.

New York markets: Money on call steady, 2 to 2 3-4 per cent., ruling rate 2, closing bid 2 1-8, offered at 2 3-8. Cotton closed quiet. Flour steady. Wheat irregular, No. 2 red 1.03 elevator export basis and 1.05 1-2 f.o.b. afloat. Corn steady, export 73 f.o.b. afloat. Rosin and turpentine steady.

WEDNESDAY.

A complete armistice has been arranged by the warring factions in China.

Col. Beverly Wrenn, an aide on Gen. R. E. Lee's staff, died in New York yesterday from blood poisoning.

Representative McCall, prominent House Republican, yesterday aligned himself with the movement against a Presidential third term.

The Federal grand jury investigating the dynamite conspiracy returned between 30 and 40 indictments yesterday against labor union officials and agents who will be arrested, on a day already determined, in about a week.

Expert stenographers declared before the Lorimer committee yesterday that your Sheridan's record taken over the dictaphone in regard to McGowan's admission of perjury, was an impossibility.

President Taft has taken the Mexican situation up with his cabinet and made all precautions to protect American interests in Mexico. Army posts throughout the country have been ordered to get ready to proceed to the border on a moment's notice.

Another investigation of the Agricultural Department will be made as Secretary Wilson and Solicitor McCabe have been charged with suppressing the engineers' report on the Florida everglades as they were requested to do by land promoters.

Judge George Gray issued an injunction yesterday against the United States Steel Corporation and 12 other defendants restraining them from destroying books and records which may be used by the government in its anti-trust suit.

New York markets: Money on call steady 2 1-4 to 2 1-8 per cent., ruling rate 2 1-4, closing bid 2 3-8, offered at 2 12. Spot cotton quiet. Flour steady. Wheat firm, No. 2 red 1.03 1-4 elevator, export basis, and 1.05 3-4 f.o.b. afloat. Corn steady, export 73 f.o.b. afloat. Rosin steady. Turpentine firm, 52.

THURSDAY.

Three thousand Lutheran laymen and ministers were in attendance upon the missionary convention at Salisbury yesterday.

J. B. Duke, president of the American Tobacco Co., will shortly resign that office to become chairman of the British-American Tobacco Co.

Capiases, with copies of the indictmens, were completed yesterday, and the arrests of the dynamiters will be made either Saturday or Monday.

Further evidence of foul play in the deaths of three men in a Raleigh apartment house has been brought to light and a thorough investigation is being made.

Roosevelt quoted exceprts from some of Abraham Lincoln's letters yesterday to six reporters as answers to some of the questions that have been asked him lately.

The Henry plan for a special committee was voted down by the Democrats in caucus last night and Underwood was upheld in his efforts to have the "money trust" investigated.

It became known yesterday that President Taft will recommend the appointment of Secretary Charles Nagel, of the Department of Commerce and Labor, to fill the vacancy on the Supreme Court bench.

The House Committee on Expenditures in the Agricultural Department has determined upon a thorough probe of the charges that Secretary Wilson and Solicitor McCabe suppressed unfavorable reports on the Florida everglades.

New York markets: Money on call steady, 2 1-4 to 2 1-2 per cent., ruling rate 2 1-4, closing bid 2 3-8, offered at 2 1-2. Spot cotton closed quiet, 25 points higher. Flour firm. Wheat steady, No. 2 red 1.04 elevator export basis, and 1.06 f.o.b. afloat. Corn steady, export 73 f.o.b. afloat. Rosin steady. Turpentine quiet.

FRIDAY.

Mayor Gaynor spoke in New York last night on the tariff and high prices.

A Georgia mob, bent on lynching, is looking for Vine Collier, a negro, who assaulted Sheriff Terry, of Baldwin county.

Taft headquarters will be opened in Washington immediately and Representative McKinley will have charge of his campaign.

Charles M. Schwab predicted yesterday that the proposed steel bill would drive the American product out of the foreign market.

Samuel Gompers declared yesterday that he intended no contempt in speaking of the injunctions but had to say what he thought or explode.

There was no rioting at the Irish home rule meeting at Belfast yesterday, as was expected, a large force of troops being present to preserve order.

The State Department declared yesterday that any possible mobilization of troops on the border would not mean intervention in Mexico was contemplated.

Charles W. Morse, the bank wrecker and pardoned convict, reached his home in New York yesterday and will leave shortly for Germany in search of health.

William Hunter, head waiter at the Wilson Chop House in Raleigh, was arrested yesterday on the charge of stealing $100 from the three men asphyxiated Monday night.

Another sensation developed before the Lorimer committee yesterday when a telegrapher testified that Edward Hines tried to bribe her to show him Detective Bailey's telegram, some of the attorneys getting in a heated argument.

New York markets: Money on call firm, 2 3-8 to 2 1-2 per cent, ruling rate and closing bid 2 3-8; offered at 2 1-2. Spot cotton closed quiet, 15 points higher. Flour firm. Wheat easy, No. 2 red 1.03 1-2, elevator export basis, and 1.05 f.o.b. afloat Corn steady, export 73 f.o.b.. Rosin steady. Turpentine quiet.

SATURDAY.

W. J. Bryan will be the first witness summoned before the money trust investigating committee and he will be asked to explain his slighting references to that body.

A reduction of the United States cavalry force from 15 to 10 regiments was voted into the army appropriation bill yesterday.

Public hearings in the Lorimer inquiry were declared closed yesterday and the attorneys held a love feast.

Twelve men were killed by a premature explosion of dynamite in a Canadian construction camp yesterday.

Diplomatic complications arose yesterday which made the movement of Mexican troops through Texas impossible at the present time.

The investigation of the alleged suppression of reports on the Florida Everglades begins today.

The Lutheran Laymen's Missionary Movement Convention, which has been in session at Salisbury, adjourned last night after the election of officers. The convention was a big success.

Fifty telegrams sent by Swift & Co. to branch offices throughout the country were introduced as evidence in the trial of the Chicago packers yesterday.

The State Bard of Education yesterday apportioned the necessary appropriation to bring the school terms in the weaker counties up to the four months minimum.

New York markets: Money on call, steady, at 2 1-4 to 2 1-2; ruling rate and closing bid, 2 1-4; offered at 2 3-8 per cent. Cotton, steady, 20 points higher. Flour, firm. Wheat, steady; No. 2, red, 1.03 1-2, elevator, export basis, and 1.05 1-4 f.o.b. afloat. Corn, firm; export, 73 1-4, f.o.b. afloat. Rosin, quiet. Turpentine, dull.

HOME HEALTH CLUB

By Dr. David H. Reeder, La Porte, Indiana.

Preventable Maladies:

Dr. C. St. Clair Drake, of the Chicago bureau of vital statistics, exhibited four panels at the opening of the City Club lately, in which he demonstrated some startling facts connected with this specialty. The panels showed that out of 32,800 deaths in Chicago last year, 13,500 were caused by preventable diseases, that one baby out of five dies before two years of age, that many of the deaths from preventable diseases arise from bad ventilation. In 1911 there were 4,929 deaths, or 15 per cent of the total number of deaths in Chicago from pneumonia; in the same period there were 3,726 or 11 per cent from tuberculosis-consumption.

A great many persons laugh at the idea of prevention of disease. They say: "Do you suppose anyone is going to be sick just for the fun of it? or how is anyone to avoid being sick if the disease gets after him?" And yet here is a scientific man, employed by a great city, who comes with indubitable facts and figures showing how a frightful percentage of people in his bailiwick die from preventable diseases.

Any intelligent person knows that if he goes out in zero weather with his coat off and his collar thrown open and in Summer shoes that he is going to get a severe illness, that he will probably "catch his death" as the old folks used to express it. Of course, this is an extreme example. But where are you going to draw the line? There are thousands of ways for obtaining disease that a strong healthy person would laugh at. An old soldier who has a deep-seated case of chronic rheumatism said to us a few days ago: "During the war I was that strong and healthy it seemed as if a cannon ball would have some trouble hurting me very much. Many a time after a long and fatiguing march of many miles, in the heat and dust, when we would go into camp at night, I would throw myself down in the wet grass that seemed to be the most comfortable place I could think of, to sleep. Older men would say: 'You'll pay for that, one of these days, youngster.' I could not understand why anything that didn't hurt me right there and then, could hurt me years after, but I know now. If I had taken the trouble to cool off in even the same way that a sensible horse-handler would have used to take care of his horse that had been on a heating dash; dried myself properly and cooled off by sensible degrees, the chances are a thousand to one that I wouldn't be hanging to this pole of a walking stick, right now, and I wouldn't be having the pains that rack me day and night."

This is another extreme case. But let us tell you careless one, that when you cram your stomach with what you consider luxuries and eat a big meal everytime the dinner bell rings, whether you want it or not; when you sleep in a hot, unventilated room, or even a cold, unventilated room, or take alcoholic or other unnatural stimulants; use tobacco in any unreasonable way, or become a coffee fiend, drink water that is not pure, or indulge in any excess, or expose yourself unnecessarily, to inclement weather, no matter how young and strong you are, you are laying yourself liable to one of the preventable diseases that Dr. Drake has shown up. And yet there is nothing much more contemptible in personal habit than "molly-coddling." The Home Health Club does not advise that by any manner of means.

Be temperate, use common sense, fight for fresh, pure air and the same sort of water; cultivate good humor; be kind and helpful; "Do unto others as you would that others should do unto you," in which, the Nazarene has said: "Is all the law and the prophets," and the chances are that a preventable disease will never even reach the neighborhood of your good health.

Club House Notes

Dear Doctor:—Is there any cure for carbuncle? Have been troubled with them for the last five years. Had them removed three times and they are still growing and are very painful. I like your new department very much.

R. E. J.

A carbuncle means a destruction of the skin and the tissues directly beneath. It is most common with elderly or feeble persons, and produces severe constitutional symptoms. Occasionally more than one carbuncle may appear on the body at one time, and if so the constitutional symptoms are apt to be graver.

Poultice the spot with flaxseed. Sprinkle over with goldenseal. Have an incision made across the carbuncle, which should be cut deeply and then apply the poultice as before, although it would be beneficial for you to mix it with a little powdered myrrh and glycerine. Apply around the edges compound tincture of myrrth. Change these poultices every four hours, also washing around the ulcerous surface with extract of witchhazel, one cunce; borax, one dram; water, one pint. A small syringe should be used. The stream will wash away all accumulations. While suppuration lasts these poultices should be constantly applied. In order to keep up your general health and strength you should have a very nourishing diet, sufficient exercise and sleep in well ventilated rooms.

All readers of this publication are at liberty to write for information pertaining to the subject of health at any time. Address all communications to the Home Club or Dr. David H. Reeder, La Porte, Indiana, with name and address in full and at least four cents in postage.

The Wilmington Star says: "Col. Roosevelt is quietly but surely slipping up on the goat of President Taft." It took a brave man to capture San Juan hill without being in the fight, but the colonel should know it is foolhardy to slip up on the front end of a goat.—Jacksonville Times-Union.

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NEW YORK'S FLOATING DEBT

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which of late years have applied to women.

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What is probably the strangest amusement proposal that has ever been launched here has just come to light in the shape of a proposition which contemplates the playing of regulation big league baseball games one hundred and fifty feet up in the air. It is not proposed, however, to produce aerial baseball by means of aeroplanes, but to use the enormous roof, larger in size than the biggest existing ball grounds, of a building located in the heart of the city and now nearing completion. When finished this gigantic building will have a roof area of about six hundred by twelve hundred feet upon which if the unique plan is actually carried out the baseball grounds sodded with bright green turf will be located, surrounded by mammoth grandstands and equipped with every possible facility. While details of the plan are not yet complete it is asserted that its originator, one of the most prominent men in sporting activities in the country, has ample backing to carry through the novel proposal. That such a plan should appeal to the owners of the building is indicated by the large rent which an otherwise useless roof would bring in, while the central location and the great size of the grounds would undoubtedly break all attendance figures. The danger of batted or thrown balls going over the fences which would enclose the roof and possibly injure pedestrians on the street below is eliminated by the fact that the grounds would be so large as to make it impossible for such a thing to happen. Whether or not the novel plan goes through would seem to depend chiefly on the reports of engineers as to whether the building has been strongly enough constructed to stand the strain which the erection of the plant and the presence of 50,000 fans would involve.

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While trusts usually are supposed to be advocates of a high tariff on their products, a curious reversal of this position has been brought out here by the developments in connection with the sugar inquiry just concluded. The Sugar Trust instead of fighting for the maintenance of the present duties on raw sugar is in favor of their entire abolition, or, failing that, a considerable reduction. The reason for this position is clear enough to those familiar with existing conditions, for the refining industry is almost entirely in the hands of the trust which usese chiefly the foreign-grown raw product. On the other hand the rapid increase of American-grown sugar attending the growth of sugar beets in this country is building up formidable independent refining interests that are likely if unchecked to threaten the domination of the trust. With the removal of the customs barrier it is believed here the trust would be able to crush out this industry and retain its supremacy. This situation gives rise to the unusual and somewhat amusing spectacle of a trust violently opposing a tariff schedule while the interest of the farmers and the independents depends upon its maintenance.

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New York's police force next Summer will weigh eleven and one-half tons less than heretofore. This, however, does not mean that there will be a reduction either in its numbers or the size of the individual members, but simply that after many years during which the guardians of the peace have in Summer months suffered from the excessive warmth of their uniforms plans have at last been accepted which by providing for lighter weight uniforms will work for their relief. The 23,000 pounds which the force will lose in weight will consist entirely in clothing, as the next Summer garb will be two pounds and five ounces lighter than the present hot weather uniform. Multiplying this two pounds and five ounces by the ten thousand pavement pounders on the force, there will be made available for the protection of the public a considerable horsepower hitherto wasted in carrying about the streets something over eleven tons of excess clothing. The cry for lighter clothing came from the policemen themselves, and a special board was appointed to look into the question. The new uniform will consist of light serge of the same color and cut as the present flannel garments. It will have a military collar so that the men will not be obliged to wear stiff white collars. Also, instead of the heavy gray helmet, a lightweight cap will be worn during the Summer months. During the night tours the men will be allowed to wear their present uniforms until they are worn out, so that they will not be put to any needless expense by the change. LONGACRE.

GAVEL OF NATIONAL INTEREST

Will Be Used at Southern Commercial Congress in Nashville

Washington, D. C., Feb. 10.—The gavel to be used by the Southern Commercial Congress in Nashville, April 8th to 10th, is being prepared by The Ladies Hermitage Association. It will be made of hickory from a tree planted by "Old Hickory," Andrew Jackson, when he erected the tomb to his wife, in Nashville.

The Nashville meeting of the Congress comes just one hundred years after the outbreak of the war of 1812, in which "Old Hickory" took such valiant part and just fifty years after the Battle of Shiloh in Tennessee. During each of the years, 1911 to 1915, special gavels will be used by the Southern Commercial Congress, as its great meetings are intended to emphasize the contrast between conditions of today and conditions of earlier days.

At Atlanta, last March, the gavel used by the Congress typified a new union of the South, there being in the head of the gavel sixteen pieces of wood, each piece contributed by the Commissioner of Agriculture of the State represented and all the pieces together grouped around a piece from West Virginia, the State that was formed out of the crash and distress of the war between the States. The handle of the gavel was made from a piece of an elm from the White House grounds in Washington, the tree having been planted by John Quincy Adams, the New England President.

If Ananias were living today he would have lots of competition.

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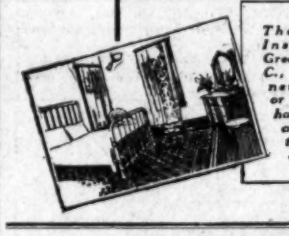

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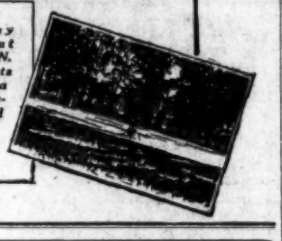

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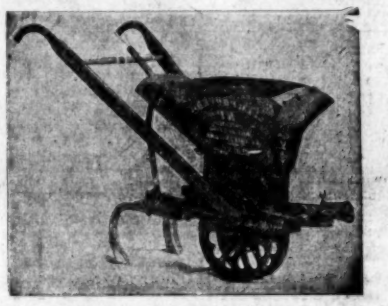

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This February 3rd, 1912.

JNO. D. TAYLOR, Clerk Superior Court.

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GERMANY AND FRANCE

With Special Reference to the Moroccan Question

By Count Johann Heinrich Von Bernstorff, German Ambassador to The United States, in The Outlook.

Count von Bernstorff is the son of the late well known diplomat and statesman, Count Albrecht von Bernstorff, who was at one time Germany's representative in Great Britain. Count Johann Heinrich von Bernstorff also entered upon diplomacy as a profession, and saw service in Constantinople, Belgrade, St. Petersburg and London before going to Egypt, where he filled the important position of German agent at Cairo. He was thence transferred to Washington as Ambassador, in succession to the late Baron Speck von Sternburg, and has continued that diplomat's very effective and acceptable work there. Count von Bernstorff has been particularly well known in this country by reason of his many addresses on important public occasions, and these addresses have all been marked by an unmistakable note of authority.—The Editors.

The Moroccan question has passed out of its controversial stage and is now a part of history, so that we are able to look back on it with an impartial spirit and to judge the aims and results of the German government's action with fairness—a fairness which seemed to be sometimes lacking during the heat of the discussions.

It is well known that until 1904 England and France were contending with each other for supremacy in Morocco. Then followed the Anglo-French agreement of April, 1904 and in the Fall of the same year a French banking syndicate contracted a new large loan with Morocco. Privileges of such importance were granted to this group of banks that the eventual fate of the Sultan's Empire seemed to be decided. Germany, however, intervened; the Emperor visited Tangier, and a few months later the Conference of Algeciras was held. In fair words it proclaimed the independence of Morocco and the sovereignty of the Sultan. It also created a multitude of provisions and stipulated the "open door" in Morocco. At the same time, however, police powers were granted to France, and Spain in eight open Moroccan ports, and, furthermore, the treaty concerning the above-mentioned loan was ratified with certain amendments. Above all, owing to the long Algero-Moroccan border line, the Conference could not prevent French influence in Morocco from continuing and even increasing. On account of the wholly unsettled and untenable conditions in Morocco—which it is no use denying—opportunities for the exertion of French influence could not long be wanting. In fact, the occupation of Ujda and the bombardment as well as the occupation of Casablanca soon followed. All this could have been prevented only if Germany had been inclined to restore order in Morocco, and first to go to war, as would have been inevitable with the Powers hostile to such an act on her part. The course of events will always prove to be more powerful than the most perfectly worded treaty provisions, and the Algeciras Act could not expect to alter the fact that Morocco and her inhabitants no longer in themselves possessed the strength to re-organize their country. Some enthusiasts believed that Muley Hafid would be able to perform this task, but they soon had to recognize that, notwithstanding his skill and ability as a statesman, he did not have the power to bring about the necessary changes without foreign assistance.

For the German government there was therefore only one way open to protect German commercial interests in Morocco, viz: by securing France's protection of these interests. This result was achieved by the Morocco agreement of February 9th, 1909, which expressly mentioned the Algeciras Act as its basis. Clearly the object of this agreement could only be to delay French advance in Morocco as long as possible; so that German traders, farmers and manufacturers were in the meanwhile, under this same French protection, guaranteed by treaty, able to consolidate their interests in Morocco to such a degree that a French protectorate could not destroy them. No one knew the conditions in Morocco as they really were, and no one perhaps wished them to be, could entertain the slightest doubt that a French protectorate must in the course of time be established.

This would have been considered the natural course of events had the aspect of affairs not suddenly changed when M. Pichon retired from the French Foreign Office and was replaced by M. Cruppi. It seems that colonial fanatics who could not await the ripening of the Moroccan fruit took advantage of this change to obtain the consent of the new Minister of Foreign Affairs for the expedition to Fez. The pretended danger of the military mission and of the European colony in consequence of the rebellion of tribes in the neighborhood of Fez formed a welcome pretext. The capital was reached and military posts were established. Although assurances were given again and again that the military forces were to be withdrawn to the coast as soon as possible, it was evident that the larger part of the country would like the Schanja province, soon be directly controlled by French agents and military authorities.

During all this time semi-official German newspapers had constantly reiterated that, according to communications received in Germany, the Europeans in Fez were not at all in danger. When these hints proved to be of no effect, the "North German Gazette," on April 30, 1911, addressed a new warning to France which could not be misunderstood, declaring that a Sultan governing with the aid of France no longer represented the sovereign Sultan as defined by the Algeciras Act, and that Germany therefore would be entitled to resume her former freedom of action. This warning was not heeded. Events took their course, and it was soon clear that the south of Morocco would also be drawn into the growing unrest. In this case the security of the Europeans living there—among them many Germans—might indeed have been in danger, since there were no French troops in the south, and no forces of the Sultan which could be counted on. At any rate, several German firms feared that their interests and their officials were in danger, and during the month of June asked the German government for protection. As a consequence, the German cruiser Panther was sent to Agadir.

The French newspapers published during those days prove that, after having been startled at first, French public opinion very soon perfectly understood the meaning of this step. For any one who had followed the course of the Moroccan question it was inconceivable that Germany should suddenly wish to conquer Moroccan territory. Even during the most critical moments of the whole affair Germany had always emphatically declared that she pursued only economic interests in Morocco, and this with good reason. For Germany the occupation of some part of Morocco—apart from the war which no doubt would have ensued—could mean nothing else than a long and continual display of military forces perfectly out of proportion to the possible gain. The friendship of the Moroccans for Germany naturally would have turned into enmity as soon as she followed the example of France and took up the role of an aggressor. It is only necessary to glance at the map and to look at the sea route from Wilhelmshaven, in Germany, to Morocco by way of the British Isles to understand what it would have meant for Germany to send a large military force to Morocco. This would, however, have been unavoidable, since without such a force it would have been impossible to subject to German rule the sturdy tribes of south Morocco, all the more so because they would have tried to obtain help from their Algerian neighbor.

As already stated, the attitude of Germany was soon understood in Paris. The error of the expedition to Fez having been made, there was nothing left but to bear the consequences and pay dearly for what otherwise in the course of time might have been obtained without any sacrifice whatever.

There could be no doubt what price Germany would ask.

On the one hand, increased and precise guarantees for the maintenance of the open door in Morocco, which would enable Germans to settle and do business in Morocco in spite of a French protectorate.

On the other hand, a compensation in the form of colonial territory, which had already often enough been mentioned during the earlier phases of the Morocco affair. Frequently the desire had been expressed in Germany that such a step should be taken. The government, however, had hesitated, hoping that the independence of Morocco might be maintained. This hope was now destroyed by the force of events, and Germany must be considered lucky for having been able to return to the idea of compensation.

It is well known that from the beginning this compensation was desired in the French Congo, in order to unite as much as possible the adjoining German colonies on the western coast of Africa, were it only by forming an economic unity through the establishment of appropriate trade routes. This goal was reached by the recent Morocco agreement between France and Germany, which gave the latter power access to the Conga and the Ubanghi.

Although, of course, opinions may differ about the value of the territory ceded to Germany, it is evident that German commerce and industry, German miners and farmers have obtained valuable guarantees for their interests in Morocco. The agreement furnishes a powerful instrument in the hands of the German government, enabling it permanently to protect German interests in spite of all contrary efforts. A careful reading of the text of the agreement will be convincing in this respect. The explicit prohibition of differential treatment of goods imported by foreign countries—which is of equal benefit to all nations, including the United States—the severe rules for controlling this, the possibility of an appeal to a clearly defined system of arbitration with regard to claims against Moroccan and French authorities, the possibility of the construction of private railways without public competition, and their administration by private boards—all these provisions of the agreement cannot be too lightly valued.

On the whole, it can therefore be said that the negotiations conducted under the moral pressure of the sending of the Panther to Agadir led to a satisfactory result for Germany, because she avoided chasing phantoms, and tried only to reach a goal which it was possible for her to attain.

In Tennessee Governor Hooper is strongly deprecating factionalism in the Republican party, while patting Democratic factionalism on the back. One would be a bad thing because it might defeat him; the other is a good thing because it elected him and may elect him again. We are not criticising Governor Hooper, but merely taking a page from life.—Charlotte Observer.

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WAS QUOTING SHAKESPEARE

Gompers Told Court That He Intended No Disrespect

Washington, Feb. 7.—President Samuel Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, today told the court which is trying him, Frank Morrison and John Mitchell for contempt, that when he wrote "Go to with your injunction," he had used the expression in the Shakespearian sense, and not a profane one.

"I like Shakespeare and had in mind some of his expressions when I wrote that," said Mr. Gompers, "such as Avaunt,' 'Go to with thy prattle.' It was in the Shakespearan sense that I used it and I meant no disrespect to this court or its decree. I meant 'Go to' 'Wait' or 'stop' with your injunction."

President Gompers exonerated John Mitchell, former vice president of the Federation, who was sentenced to nine months in jail for contempt. Mr. Gompers said Mr. Mitchell did not sign the pronouncement for which the labor leaders are being prosecuted, but that his name had been attached as a matter of course, and that he did not see the subject until it had been printed.

Attorney Darlington read the injunction decree to Mr. Gompers and asked him why he had objected to it and had permitted articles to appear in the American Federationist in violation of the injunction. Gompers said he believed that his constitutional rights had been invaded and that those portions of the injunction to which he took exception were void. The two men had several verbal clashes. Mr. Darlington asked Mr. Gompers if he had not repeatedly violated the Federal injunction by printing co-ercive statements under the "guise" of news?

"I object to the word 'guise' said Mr. Gompers. "I ask you when you address me you do so in respectful language."

"I repeat that this was printed in the 'guise of news,'" retorted Darlington.

"That is untrue and an insult and I shall insist, under the protection of the court, that counsel use proper language in addressing me," shouted Mr. Gompers.

Justice Wright ordered the question read and Mr. Gompers answered it.

The possibility of a noted lawyer being involved in the contempt proceedings with Mr. Gompers was averted by the failure of the memory of the witness.

Mr. Gompers had testified that he was advised by counsel that he would not be in contempt of the court if he published articles which were later held in contempt.

"Who advised you?" asked Justice Wright.

"I prefer not to say unless the court compels me," answered the witness.

Justice Wright insisted on an answer. Mr. Gompers named a firm of Washington lawyers, but said he could not remember the individual who had advised him.

PLAN AN INNOVATION

May-Day Fete at State Normal College at Greensboro

As a part of the commencement exercises, the students in the college and the children in the Training school are to celebrate May-Day. To the ancestors of every North Carolinian—Tueton, Kelt or Anglo-Saxon—the very word May-Day eloquent with meaning. Because this was right, these youthful citizens are going to do their best toward reviving the May-Day customs by reproducing the Day itself.

From the dim and shadowy period of paganism, through many centuries, all European peoples performed certain semi-religious, semi-poetic rites in May. Romans instinctively wore garlands and carried newly budded branches in honor of Flora and Zephyr who were supposed to strew the earth with flowers. Goths and Swedes fought a mock battle between Winter and Summer, Summer always winning. Irish, Scotch Highlanders, and Scandinavians kindled "bone-fires" on their hilltops, and danced, sang and feasted in honor of the sun. In the Christian era the old customs were continued as wholesome recreation for the people. Not only the masses, but lords and ladies, kings and queens reveled in the woods and "brought the Summer home." In "The Death of King Arthur" we read: "Then it befell in lusty May that Queen Guenever called unto her her knyghtes of the round table and gave them warning that early in the morning she should ride on Maying into the fields beside Westminster." In the earliest English lyric poetry May-Day is spoken of as the time "when everything living recovers virtue, beauty and force, and the hearts of all people rise up and gladden themselves."

Hear and heed wise Chaucer:

"Forth goeth al the courte, both moste and leste,
To fetch the fluores fresh and brancue and blome;
And then rejoysen in ther grete delight,
Eek eche at other throw the floures bryghte."

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Hard is his hart that loveth naught
In May when al this mirth is wrought."

Next week we shall tell you of four famous May-Poles.

Recently the mails out of Washington were fairly loaded with patent medicine circulars, carried under the frank of a Pennsylvania Congressman. The postal authorities noted what was going on and asked the Congressman to make some sort of explanation. The Congressman replied that he didn't know anything about it, and that if patent medicine circulars had been going through the mails under his frank, his secretary must have done it. He forthwith fired the secretary. It is usually the underling that gets the hook.—Savannah News.

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Hansley, E.	n w ¼ 4	574	2 24
James, Sarah C.	w pt 3	502	1 77
Mallard & Craig	e end 1, pt 2	61	9 76
Millinor, H. M.	pt 2 3	31	1 54
Medlin, J. T.	n w 1	213	6 00
Moore, J. H.	w m 1 2	537	2 96
Pate, A. W. & D. N. Chadwick	n w ¼ 5	37	2 47
Poisson, Heirs J. D.	e end 1, pt 2	194	36 55
Peck, Oscar	s m, pt 2	335	1 78
Rivenbark, Edgar	n e 7, s e 6	303	4 12
Smith, Annie C.	e 2 3 4 5	337	6 47
Sellers, J. F.	n w 4	339	3 65
Taylor, C. E., Jr.	s w ½ 1	494	3 42
Willard, E. P. & H. A. Harding and wife	s e ⅛ 5	539	3 42
Weeks, C. D. or Josephine King	e m 4 5, s e 5, n e 6	78	10 23
Wilder, H. F.	w m 1	76	2 48

WILMINGTON TOWNSHIP.
COLORED.

Names.	Description.	Blk	Tax and Costs
Austin, Julia	n e ½ 3	255	3 18
Ballard, Gabe	n w ¼ 4	531	4 46
Boone, Thos	m 6 w ½ 6	98 583	4 55
Boykin, George	w m 5	149	4 12
Brown, A. L.	w	206	5 06
Brown, Francis	s w ¼ 4	537	1 54
Bryant, Hannah	pt w 3	186	3 80
Bumpass, Sam'l	n e pt 6	55	1 78
Batson, W. S.	lot 5	3	3 99
Butler, Heirs Thos	lot 10	5	1 54
Carr, Wm.	e 5 pt 4	162	7 27
Clemmons, J. J., Jr.	w m 1	118	12 81
Coel, J. R. & Eliza		209	7 04
Collins, Sarah A.	w m 1 w m 5	240 239	13 72
Cutter, Heirs Jas. K.	all 6 e 1 2	518 119	10 43
Carroll, Rev. R. A. H.	lot 10	527	1 54
Coston, Robert	lot 12	12	3 99
Davis, Heirs Dan	e end 6	59	6 23
Davis, Ellen	s w ¼ 4	541	1 54
Davis, Heirs Elsie	s w ¼ 4	83	2 47
Davis, John	s w pt 6 n e ¼ 3	40 56	6 48
Davis, Maria A.	w end 6 e end 6	94 104	17 95
Dunham, Timon	w end 5	351	2 24
Dixon, Chas and wife	w 5 6	97	4 12
Dixon, Sophie	m 4	68	3 28
Dodd, W. F.	w end 3	242	9 86
Dry, Wm.	n e ¼ 3	545	4 23
Edwards, Thomas	e m 1 pt 2 w 5 n e 4	295 351 293	16 60
Evans, Alfred & wife	n w ¼ 3	40	3 18
Evans, W. P.	s w ¼ 4	190	6 94
Everitt, Josephine	pt e m 1 2	309	1 78
Faircloth, Mary	w ½ 5	531	2 71
Faircloth, Wm.	s w ¼ 4	541	3 32
Farrior, Bryant	pt m 6	494	5 40
Fennell, Squire	m pt 1 2	213	8 45
Fillyaw, Jos.	e 6	148	3 65
Galley, Heirs Jas.	e ½ 3	254	6 23
Gause, Edward	e m 2 3	140	4 12
Gay, Amauda	s e ¼ 4	55	2 01
Graham, Louis A.	m pt 1 e pt 4	254 338	5 73
Green, Heirs J. W.	w 4	303	9 76
Green, Navy	n w ¼ 4	493	5 86
Hall, Albert	w m 1	280	8 45
Hall, Jno. H.	e 1	252	9 86
Hall, Heirs Jos. D.	w m 5	241	4 59
Hall, Heirs Thos. S.	s e pt 2 4	53	1 78
Hall, W. T.	s e ¼ 3	100	3 89
Hamilton, Joshua	e 5	198	8 35
Hankins, Heirs Thos.	s w ¼ 4 m 1 w 6	255 269 64	14 62
Harrell, Jas. & wife	e m pt 1	502	3 63
Henderson, W. H.	s e 2	217	3 18
Haynes, Wm.	lot 8	3	3 99
Hill, Chas. H.	w pt 2	186	6 57
Hill, Louis T.	n e ¾ 3	226	7 98
Hill, Heirs Louis		23	3 18
Hill, Mary M.	e m 4 w m 5	336 300	7 85
Hooper, Heirs Jno.	e ½ 3 n e 2	23	6 00
Hooper, Johnson	w m ¼ 4	118	7 17
Hough, Isabella	w end 5	241	6 47
Howard, And'w	nw ¼ 4 sw ¼ 3	19	2 47
Howard, Benj.	W. e ¾ 4, w ½ 3, e ½ 5	563	4 23
Howard, Franklin	e 3 4	161	4 59
Howard, Heirs Henry	e 4 5	161	4 12
Howe, A. V.	w 5 6	67	5 06
Howe, Mary E.	m w ½ 2	211	1 78
Isler, Sampson	pt w end 1 2	324	7 88
Jackson, Mary & Nellie Foreman	e 2 3	186	11 64
Jackson, Heirs Rebecca	n w ¼ 3	23	3 65
Jackson, W. H.	m 1	33	2 95
Jennings, Laura	s w ½ 2	137	4 35
Jones, Heirs Ben	s w ¼ 1	135	3 03
Jones, Ed.	s e pt 2, m 3	283	8 45
Jones, Elijah	m 3 4	161	4 59
Jones, Mary	n e ¼ 2	225	7 17
Jones, Nixon	w m 4	228	2 95
Lane, Adelaide	e 3 4 5	229	3 04
Lane, Jno. H.	e m 1	20	8 45
Lane, Robert H.	n w ½ 2	238	12 21
Lawrence, Benj. P.	w s e ¼ 5	516	6 33
Le Boo, Eliza	w m 6	105	2 24
Lee, Anna	w 6 m 1	340	4 69
Lee, Jno. W.	e m 1	240	5 40
Lee, Wm.	w ½ 1	531	1 78
Loftin, Major	s e 6	82	5 76
Loftin, Thomas	n e ¼ 3	30	3 41
Lord, Eliza	w end 1	534	3 41
Love, Susan A.	w m 3 4	327	
Mack, Jno. H.	w end 6	90	9 39
Martin, Jas. E.	n e pt 3	268	9 57
Mayo, Lassie	s 5 6	42	3 65
Meares, Millie	s w m ½ 4	238	3 65
Merrick, Heirs Fred	w ¼ 4	45	1 54
Merrick, Thos.	s e pt 6	148	4 92
Milton, Noble & Frances	s e 4 all 4	267 238½	8 79
Mitchell, J. W.	e 1	80	7 41
Moore, Livinia	s e ¼ 4	3	2 71
Moore, Mamie	pt w m 1	256	3 65
Morgan, Heirs Abner	e 4 5	187	6 00
Mosely, Heirs July	w 1 2	229	3 18
Murphy, Cordelia & Molly G.	w pt 2	545	1 78
McFarlane, Minnie	n e ¼ 4	55	4 35
McIntire, Nancy	w 1	255	1 78
McKoy, Dan'l	e m 1 2	41	10 33
McNeil, Enoch	e m 1 2	70	2 24
Neal, Caroline	n w pt 3	537	2 24
Nixon, Roseanna	pt e 1	498	3 41
Noyes, Heirs Rob't	s w ¼ 2	309	4 12
Quick, E. D.	s e 3	211	10 33
Reaves, Moses	s e end 6	538	3 65
Reaves, Heirs Nathan	pt w end 3 4	296	4 59
Reddy, Harry	e m 5 6	59	4 59
Reed, Heirs Julia	e * 4	94	8 59
Roberts, Heirs Gilbert	w 6	118	5 06
Robinson, Heirs Agnes J.	n, e 1 2	81	5 77
Robinson, J. J.	s w ¼ 3	40	6 10
Rountree, Peter	e m 1	330	6 80
Russell, Sarah Ann	n e 6	36	2 01
Ryles, Chloe	s e ⅛ 4	119	3 41
Sessions, Henderson	n w ¼ 2	31	6 10
Sheridan, Fannie	w m 6	149	4 12
Smith, Jack	w m 2	537	2 47
Smith, Jno. Clayton	n w ¼ 4	271	3 65
Stanford, Jno. T.	w m 5	228	6 80
Stanford, Geo.	s w ¼ 2	541	2 47
Sterling, Athalia	w m 6	105	3 41
Stroud, Anderson	e m 2, n e ½ 2 n e ½ 1 all 3	541 540 68	24 22
Swepson, Walter H.	n e ¼ 4	41	5 63
Simon, Chas.	lot 8	2	6 19
Shipman, Edward	lot 5	2	3 99
Taylor, Paul L.	s w ¼ 4	531	2 01
Thurber, Heirs W. H.	e ½ 5	51	9 06
Turner, Jno. H.	e 5 6	134	5 76
Waddell, Sophia	pt w m 1	256	3 18
Wade, Heirs Maggie	e m 1 2 e m 4 5	60 58	8 79
Walker, Heirs Ellen	e end & pt w m 1	105	10 23
Walker, Margaret Ann	s w pt 4, pt 5	337	2 47
Wall, Maggie	s w 3	294	6 00
Watson, Abram	n w end 1, pt 2	499	5 16
Webster, Dan'l	w m 1 2	224	6 47
Williams, Ben.	w m 1 2	55	5 40
Williams, R. McN.	w 5	254	9 77
Williams, W. B.	e 1 2 s e 3	54	7 33
Williams, W. H.	w 5 6	50	5 53
Willis, Lewis	w 6	60	3 41
Williston, Heirs Henrietta	s w ¼ 4 w ½ 3	23 50	4 32
Wilson, Marsden	n e pt 4 5	360	4 23
Yarborough, Annie	m 1	88	9 29

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Brown, Thos.	e 1	54	2 71
Barry, Matilda	n w ⅛ 5	149	3 42
Gibbs, G. W.	n e ½ 6 m 1 2	541 55	3 85
Green, Emory & Mary J.	e m 1	337	6 71
Jordan, Heirs W. A.	n e 6	149	3 65
Johnson, Lucius	pt w end 5	239	3 18
King, John Henry	w pt 3	493	2 48
Knox, Lillie J.	s m 1	148	1 77
Lane, Albert	s e pt 6	26	1 77
Lee, LeRoy	all 3 4 5 6	519	2 24
Merrick, Caroline	n e 5	53	3 89
Merrick, Thos.	w 6	148	2 48
Moore, Allen	n e ¼ 2	542	3 65
McBride, Heirs Wm.	w m 1 2 3	187	3 18
McNeil, James	s w 1	271	3 18
Prince, M. F. or Wil Sub. Co.	n w ¼ 4	574	2 11
Robinson, David	n w 2	583	1 77
Spicer, Martha	pt w end 1 2 3	39	6 47
Stephens, John	pt m 6	40	3 41
Spencer, John F.	n w pt 6	499	2 24
Tate, Joseph	pt m 5	271	3 18
Williston, J. W.	w end 6	58	5 06
Wade, Heirs Delia	pt s e 6	80	1 78

HARNETT TOWNSHIP.
WHITE.

Names.	Description.	Acs	Costs and Tax
Blake, S.	lot Carolina Pl		6 00
Bonham, C. H.	pt Bonham tract	19½	13 07
Bowden, Mary L.	Stores lot	2¼	28 34
Brittain, B. F., Jr.			2 24
Bullock, Mrs. E. W.	3 lots blk 8, Caro. Pl		6 00
Carney, Heirs T. B.	nr Bay Mead	97	6 00
Carroll, W. B.	lot farm 43		10 70
Cellar, O. G.	lots Villa View	2	3 18
Davis, J. L.	Warren tract	16½	12 73
Davis, J. M.	lot 24, Winter Pk Garden		2 24
Desland, Miss Fannie	2 lots blk 18, 24 blk 17		5 06
Donaldson, Mrs. Hattie	adj. Alexander	40	5 06
Farmer, Geo. L.	3 lots Caro. Pl		15 12
Fitchett, Mrs. Alice M.	lot 23, Winter Park		2 71
Fox, W. E.	blk 30, lots 4 5, Caro. Pl		10 70
Nye, Abram	blk 0, lot 23, blk m, lot 7		2 24
Gilbert, Heirs S. E.			

Names.	Description.	Acs	Costs and Tax
	h. and lot Summer Rest		8 82
Hanby, Heirs Jno. H.	Atlantic View Hotel	63	
	Iron Spring Neck	150	
	Chadbourn h. and lot		
	Bishop

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There will be no reservations; equal opportunity will be the portion of everyone. From the num improvements on the lots within the past two weeks, we venture the prophecy that every lo sale has not before been known in a generation. Look about you! Ninety per cent. of t opment. Men who have acted upon their judgment, backed their judgment with the fits of enhanced property values. Catch the drift! It is undoubtedly towar

Manhattan Lots

Departing from the conventional, narrowly circumscribed 33 feet lots, so peculiar to city and some other suburban property, every lot in MANHATTAN will front 40 feet on a beautiful 66 foot avenue with granolithic sidewalks already laid and shade trees now being planted. The depth varies from 110 to 190 feet. The elevation is natural, furnishing perfect drainage and ensuring absolutely healthy conditions. Easy of access, reached by two magnificent macadam thoroughfares and the trolley line of the Tidewater Power Co.

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From any part of the city, and frequent schedules from 6 A. M. to 12 Midnight. Electric lights and water available, and gas on the way. In short, every convenience of the city with none of its disadvantages. Only 50 of these desirable lots are available (Most suburbs have several hundred), giving an air of exclusiveness vouchsafed to few less restricted properties. An ideal location for a home for the man of limited means; a rare opportunity for the investor with any amount of capital. Better see about this Monday.

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To place this property within the reach of everyone desiring a moters have decided to sell the lots on extremely easy terms—th Foster's Dollar-a-Week Plan. You simply make the small initi taxes. In other words, you get next year's values at today's pric tion plan of saving and investing has ever been devised. Under It is the determination of the promoters of this suburb to bring t mington suburb. They propose to see that every owner who de equally as easy terms as the lots are purchased. Make the dete estate is yours for the asking, at our office.

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LDING LOTS 50

onday, February 12th, at 8:30 A. M.

of voluntary inquiries received from those who have casually noticed the activity in building and l be sold within the week. As an investment or home-building opportunity, the like of this rtunes in Wilmington have been founded upon a proper appreciation of real estate devel- arnings and exercised a reasonable foresight, are those who are now reaping the bene- e suburbs. "Doubt Never Turned a Dollar; Confidence Has Made Millions."

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desiring to make an investment out of current earnings, the pro- all amount cash to cover cost of transfer, etc., and the balance on , then $1 a week until paid for, without interest, or other cost or rty is enhancing all the time you're paying. No better combina- you can buy and build with only a small part of your rent money. y to the highest state of development ever attained in any Wil- ild a home is provided with the capital, which may be repaid on today. That's half the battle. Expert advice and counsel on real

Fair Prices

This sale is not solely for the speculative benefits of its promoters. By it we intend all the more securely to establish ourselves as the leaders in Wilmington Suburban Developments. The lots have been placed on the market at a price that will guarantee their ready sale. On March 1st prices will advance 25 per cent. After that? Well, watch the prediction for a 100 Per Cent. Advance before many of them are half paid for. The prices now range from:

$190 to $290 for a Forty Foot Lot

Just compare these with lots of 33 feet frontage in this immediate section, which are selling for at from $300 to $700 Cash. If you care to pay cash for lots at MANHATTAN, a liberal discount from the already low prices will be allowed.

As MANHATTAN is more exclusively for home builders, the promoters already have in course of construction four five-room, modern cottages, which will be sold to those desiring to build at once with rent money at prime first cost. More than that—we finance the deal entirely for you. Just inquire.

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ASTYPTODYNE CROUP AND PNEUMONIA SALVE

READ WHAT YOUR DRUGGIST AND OTHERS SAY ABOUT IT:

Astyptodyne Chemical Co.,
Wilmington, N. C..

Gentlemen:—

I have found Astyptodyne Croup & Pneu monia Salve a specific for Sore Throat, Bronchial affection and Colds.

Sincerely,
Rev. K. D. HOLMES.

Hertford, N. C.

Astyptodyne Chemical Co.,
Wilmington, N. C.

Gentlemen:—

We had a baby very sick in February with what we thought was pneumbnia. We tried other Pneumonia Cures and several other remedies, and found no relief. I went to Dr. Smith, explained the situation and asked him for the best thing he could give me for the above stated case. He said he thought Astypodyne Croup Salve was the best remedy and advised our using it We did so and found after a few applications that our baby was cured. We applied it and rubbed it in until all was absorbed and it caused no irritation or burning sensation at all.

We think without any partiality that it is the best remedy for babies suffering from colds and pneumonia, and we believe it will be as beneficial for older children and adults.

I have also used the Healing Oil and assure any one that it is the best remedy I know of for cuts, burns, or any other irritation.

We voluntarily contribute the above.

Yours very truly,
Mr. and Mrs. JNO. L. BLANCHARD.

Wilmington, N. C.

Astyptodyne Chemical Co.,
Wilmington, N. C.

Gentlemen:—

Having sold ninety-one dozen of your Croup and Pneumonia Salve this year, I can state that it has given entire satisfaction and I have not had a single box returned under your guarantee.

This remedy has come to stay, and I am sure that I will more than double the sale of it the coming year.

Yours very truly,
ROBERT R. BELLAMY.

Astyptodyne Chemical Co.,
Wilmington, N. C.

Gentlemen:—

My sales of Astyptodyne Croup and Pneumonia Salve have been steadily increasing, and it gives universal satisfaction to my customers. I sell the preparation under your regular guarantee and have not had a single package returned. I consider it one of the best preparations of its kind, and do not hesitate to recommend it to my customers.

Yours truly,
J. H. HARDIN.

Astyptodyne Chemical Co.,
Wilmington, N. C.

Gentlemen:—

Replying to your letter of Dec. 14th, inst., will say that I have already sold three or four times more of your Croup Salve than I sold all last year.

Wishing you success and promising my co operation,

Truly,
WILLIAM C. MUNDS.

Wilmington, N. C.

Astyptodyne Chemical Co.,
Wilmington, N. C.

Gentlemen:—

My sales of Astyptodyne Croup and Pnuemonia Salve has been steadily increasing for the past two years, and the preparation has given universal satisfaction to my customers. Not a single complaint or a package returned. Under our guarantee.

Yours, very truly,
L. B. SASSER.

Wilmington, N. C.

Astyptodyne Chemical Co.,
Wilmington, N. C.

Gentlemen:—

It affords me much pleasure to say that in my long experience as drug salesman I have never sold a remedy that has given so much general satisfaction as an external application for croup and pneumonia as Astyptodyne Croup and Pneumonia Salve. Its medicinal properties are marvelous. And when you make one sale, it means a permanent customer for that article; and I have never yet known a single kick regarding its efficacious qualities, but, to the contrary, all praise its merits in the highest of terms. I feel that where there are children, it is an indispensable article, as, in my opinion, no other remedy upon the market compares with it for colds and pneumonia. I always feel justified in recommending it, as it never fails to do the work. Astyptodyne Croup and Pneumonia Salve should be a household word.

Yours very respectfully,
W. R. KINGSBURY.

Astyptodyne Chemical Co.,
Wilmington, N. C.

Gentlemen:—

We are having good sales on your Croup and Pneumonia Salve, and all of our customers are so well pleased that they come and call for more, and recommend it to others. We believe your preparation is the best on the market.

Yours truly,
SMITH'S DRUG STORE,
By J. A. Smith, Mgr.

Astyptodyne Chemical Co.,
Wilmington, N. C.

Gentlemen:—

We certify that we have been selling Astyptodyne Croup Salve and your otner remedies, and so far as we know have given perfect satisfaction, and trade is increasing on them every month.

Yours truly,
H. L. FENTRESS.

Dec. 15th, 1911.

Astyptodyne Chemical Co.,
Wilmington, N. C.

Gentlemen:—

I have been selling your Astyptodyne Croup and Pneumonia Salve from the time it was first put on the market, and consider it one of the best prepaartions of its kind.

I have been selling it under your regular guarantee to refund purchase price to any dissatisfied customer and my customers have all been well satisfied.

Yours truly,
SOUTHSIDE DRUG CO.,
Carl T. Miller, Mgr.

Astyptodyne Chemical Co.,
Wilmington, N. C.

Gentlemen:—

We think your Croup and Pneumonia Salve a preparation of excellent quality, and are pleased to recommend it to all of our trade that leave it optional with us, and so far all whom we have sold it to have been highly pleased with the preparation.

We think the Circular will do our individual trade more good than the newspaper advertising has done, as our trade has not been stimulated very much by the recent advertising.

Hoping the circular will create great demand, and wishing you best luck,

Yours respectfully,
HANOVER DRUG CO.

Astyptodyne Chemical Co.,
Wilmington, N. C.

Gentlemen:—

This is to certify that Astyptodyne Croup and Pneumonia Salve cured me of pneumonia.

Yours truly,
M. B. JETER,
Wilmington, N. C.

Astyptodyne Chemical Co.,
Wilmington, N. C.

Gentlemen:—

Our sales of Astyptodyne Croup and Pneumonia Salve have been very satisfactory. We sell it on your regular guarantee to return purchase price to dissatisfied customers, and have never had a complaint. We consider it an excellent preparation.

Yours truly,
JARMAN & MINTZ.

Virginia Beach, Va.

Astyptodyne Chemical Co.
Wilmington, N. C.

Gentlemen:—

I wish to say that your Croup Salve is a wonderful medicine, and I believe the same saved my baby's life from an attack of Croup.

Yours truly,
(Signed) J. J. DOSHER.

Astyptodyne Chemical Co.
Wilmington, N. C.

Dear Sirs;

Our sales of Astyptodyne Croup and Pneumonia Salve have been very satisfactory, and the preparation has apparently given universal satisfaction, as we haven't had a single complaint. We have no hesitation in recommending it to customers.

Yours very truly,
J. HICKS BUNTING DRUG CO.
J. Hicks Bunting, Pres. & Mgr.

Astyptodyne Chemical Co.
City:

Gentlemen:—

In reply to your letter of the 13th instant, beg to say that I have been selling your Astyptodyne Croup & Pneumonia Salve from the time it was first put on the market, and my sales show a steady increase. I sell your preparation on your regular guarantee to refund the purchase price to all dissatisfied customers, and have not been asked to refund the purchase price to a single customer. I consider your preparation one of the best on the market.

Yours very truly,
BERNICE C. MOORE.

Wilmington, N. C.

Astyptodyne Chemical Co.
Wilmington, N. C.

Gentlemen:—

Your letter asking for information concerning the sale of your Croup and Pneumonia Salve is received, and I am glad to be able to state that it is a rapid seller; in fact, it is the leader in this section, which is no mean compliment, as there are many remedies being marketed.

Since October of this year I have sold about seven dozen, and the chances for greater sales appear good, as people are becoming quite partial to your make. They know there is Astyptodyne in it and that Astyptodyne will allay inflammation of any kind. Hence its ready sale.

With best wishes for your further success, I am,

Yours very truly,
JAMES M. HALL.

Wilmington, N. C.

Astyptodyne Chemical Co.
Wilmington, N. C.

Gentlemen:—

This is to certify that I have used your Astyptodyne Croup & Pneumonia remedy with splendid results. I have used it on my children when they have had croup and colds and have used it on myself for cold in the chest and lungs, and it has always given speedy relief. I take pleasure in recommending it to any one needing a remedy of this character.

Yours truly, W. E. YOPP.

THEATRICAL

Monday—"The Cow and the Moon."

Wednesday, Matinee and Night—"Madame Sherry."

Saturday, Matinee and Night—"The Wolf."

The Academy this week will offer a trio of the very best attractions, which will afford the theatre-goers of Wilmington fine chance to make merry just before the Lenten season. The offerings start off tomorrow night with the big extravaganza, "The Cow and the Moon", and end Saturday with "The Wolf", with one of the greatest, in fact, most wonderful of all attractions. "Madame Sherry" in between. This latter attraction comes for matinee and night Wednesday and seats go on sale at Plummer's tomorrow morning.

"The Cow and the Moon."

Mr. Chas. A. Sellon will offer at the Academy tomorrow night a new musical extravaganza "The Cow and the Moon".

The story sets forth an amusing combination of complexities involving earth beings and immortals from the moon, whose antics are always interesting and of such uninterrupted frequency as to merit a polite interrogation as to their possible limit. Continuing, the plot mostly very musical and cleverly mechanical but, withal logical, in its happy musical comedy way, deals with the adventures of Miss Innocence, a maid who has never seen a man, and her friends in their struggle to extricate her from the clutches of Great Domo who kidnaps her for his wife in order to retain his Kingdom and perpetuate his reign in the moon.

From a seminary in Not Much Ville, Ind., where the sprouts of knowledge are first taught to shoot from pretty Innocence's Astral brain, and not even the smallest atom of masculinity has been allowed to cross the orbit of her aching eye, the journey wends its capricious, interesting way. Then unfolding its more intricate detail, it takes her across the continent in a palatial Pullman train and while she is a passenger more happens to her than any band of porters, eagle eyed for tips could possibly conjure. Weak with laughter the audience alight at San Francisco and soon see their heroine skimming through the beautiful Japanese mountains, so often sung, in song and story, in a swiftly whizzing automobile. Thence, defying, with usual Michivalian intrepidness the highest altitudes of the air, her abductor caries her in his flying machine to the moon.

Spectacular instances, such as the speeding train, the hilarious Trick Restaurant scene, the Temple of the Sacred Cow, the speeding automobile and the flying machine, are numerous and add to the general enjoyment, as the plot unravels.

Interpolations of some of the season's "best hits" b yan exquisitely gowned and good singing chorus furnish pleasing interruptions to the cleverly composed score, which is from the tuneful brain of Carleton Lee Colby. We earnestly advise those who are seeking to retain the smile that makes the world worth while, not to miss seeing this latest success. "The Cow and the Moon."

Seats went on sale at Plummer's yesterday.

"Madame Sherry" Wednesday.

Truly it can be said that Wilmington theatre-goers are agog over the announcement that "Madame Sherry" will appear at the Academy Wednesday, for matinee and night. Long has this city awnited the re-appearance of this wonderful musical creation and at last waiting is to be crowned with success. The superb attraction will come in all its glory, and the company numbers many of the original cast, and the production will be both a massive and magnificent one.

The attraction is only hitting the high spots. Last Monday's Jacksonville (Fla.) Metropolis had this to say of "Madame Sherry":

"The production of 'Madame Sherry' given at the Duval Theatre Saturday afternoon and evening and Sunday evening, was in many ways superior to any before given in the city of Jacksonville and drew three good houses. "Madame Sherry" has been produced in this city so often that it was indeed a relief to witness the performance of the French vaudeville by a company of actors who seemed to take an interest in their parts, playing them in a way to give new laughs even to those who had witnessed the comedy before.

"The company appearing in Jacksonville is particularly fortunate in having among its cast a number of excellent voices, the most notable being that of Frank Johnson, who takes the part of Leonard Gomez, son of the President of Venezuela. Mr. Johnson is the possessor of a beautiful baritone voice, and while in his role as Leonard Gomez he has little opportunity of showing his ability as a voacilst, still in the few vocal numbers in which he appears music lovers easily recognize his voice as one of unusual quality.

"Mr. Johnson and Miss Amanda Hendricks, in 'Every Little Movement' the theme piece of the play, brought out all the possibilities of the number and were far sueprior in their duet to any singers who have given the selection in Jacksonville before. The blending of their voices was indeed perfect and occasioned a burst of applause.

"The Dance of Danger, in the last act, by Joe Smith, Marba and Avita Sanchez, was another pleasing feature of the entertainment. Mr. Marba's ability to spin Miss Sanchez was in no way eclipsed by the 'Phillippe' of the original company, and Miss Sanchez as Pepita was indeed clever.

"Fred Frear, the comedian, was exceptionally good in the role of Theophilus Sherry. Mr. Freer is remembered for his good work in the original Merry Widow Comapny. Miss Cherida Simpson as Catherine, Edward's housekeeper, was another star in the company. Miss Simpson starred in the Red Feather for several seasons and is also remembered for her work in King DoDo. As a comedienne Miss Simpson is great. E. Colt Albertson as Edward Sherry, was very strong. He is an excellent actor and the possor of a fine tenor voice.

"Miss Aileen Hodgson, who plays the part of Yvonne Sherry, the convent girl, while mentioned last, is really one of the most clever actors of the company. Miss Hodgson appears in several vocal numbers, having a pleasing soprano voice, and, although having one of the most difficult roles of the play, handles it in a manner most satisfactory to her audience."

At The Bijou.

In spite of the weather the Bijou did good business yesterday and those who were present not only enjoyed a fine show, but enjoyed such in comfortable manner, because the Bijou was warm and cozy. This speaks well for the "solid comfort" of the theatre, and hence disagreeable weather does not keep many folks away from the great delight to be found there. The Bijou has mapped out a fine menu for the present week, and will gloriously inaugurate the week tomorrow with a big bill. Some of the best films yet presented will be offered, while the musical numbers will be of the swellest type. They wil be jolly, fresh and most tuneful. Among the great film triumphs for tomorrow will be Selig's latest creation, "The Secret Wedding." Not only is it a photoplay of stirring action, but one of great scenic beauty, as it presents some rugged scenery. The principal characters are a young artist and the daughter of a poor fisherman. "The Little Poet" is another big film success, which is not only tender, but decidedly humorous. It tells the story of a poet who marries a young woman and the hard scuffle they have to get along. The humor part is decidedly original and novel and is cleverly offered. The other films are also capital ones and will go to make up a "warm show" for a cold day.

At The Grand Theatre

Despite the snow and the chilly blasts from the North The Grand Theatre proved quite attractive at all performances yesterday and the extra bill provided for Saturday's patrons was much appreciated. The new week will be inaugurated tomorrow with a beautiful comedy-drama, "Mother and Daughters," and "The Squaw Man's Revenge," a play redolent with the flavor of the West and compelling interest. "Mother and Daughters" tells a story that should be told over and over again in this day of domestic science and the twentieth century idea of home life. There is a line of comedy through the whole story that will be found quite agreeable. The 'Squaw Man's Revenge" is the story of a little white child at last restored to her own people in meeting a man of Anglo-Saxon ancestry. It matters not what the weather may be on the outside, The Grand is always cozy and comfortable.

It's better to be able to pay your bills than to be a model citizen.

THE BROADWAY CHORUS, "DE LUXE."
Entrancing Musical Comedy Success at Academy Wednesday, Mantinee and Night.

"THE SPANISH MAIDS"
In "The Cow and The Moon," Academy, Tomorrow Night.

In commenting the other day upon the establishment of a pulp mill in one of the south Georgia swamps, we recalled a part of the history of the paper mill which was operated at Bath, in the Horse Creek Valley of this State prior to the War Between the States, and remarked that so far as our recollection extended no papel mill had been built in this part of the South since its abandonment. We are indebted to Mr. E. W. Dabbs, of Sumter, for reminding us of the manufactory which Major J. L. Coker began at Hartsville a number of years ago, and which is today in successful operation. How we came to suffer such a lapse of memory we do not know. Mr. Dabbs states that the Hartsville mill owns in one body 11,000 acres of short straw pine timber between Lanes and Gourdins, on the Atlantic Coast Line Railway, and that last Summer shipments were made daily. —Charleston News and Courier.

Where does the consumer come in here? The advance of two cents per gallon in the price of kerosene oil and gasoline, which has just gone into effect, recalls the fact that the great corporation which was charged with maintaining a monopoly of crude oil products has been dissolved by the mandate of the United States Supreme court. Perhaps there would be less significance in this material advance in price if it had not been definitely stated that it was ordered by the corporation which has technically gone out of existence. It is also suggestive of the mutability of the decisions of human courts that the stock of the dissolved and presumably "busted" concern is now quoted at an advance on the figures quoted before the dissolution was ordered. Anyway, where does the consumer come in, and how is he benefitted?—Greensboro News. (Ind.)

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Lots of things would go without saying if women would give them half a chance.

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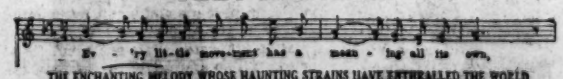

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THE FORTUNE HUNTER

Novelized by Louis Joseph Vance From the Play of the Same Title, By Winchell Smith.

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Synopsis

Nat Duncan, discharged for incompetency by his employer, goes to the home of his friend Kellogg, who has helped him in the past.

Kellogg sympathizes with Duncan, who meets some of his old time acquaintances at the home of his friend.

Kellogg wants to help Duncan, who is discouraged, and outlines a novel scheme whereby Duncan can repair his shattered fortunes.

The scheme is that Duncan should go to a country town, dress well, go to church, work steadily and thus attract and marry the wealthiest girl in the town.

Duncan decides to follow Kellogg's suggestion and with an array of newly made city clothes departs for and arrives at Radville.

Old Sam Graham runs a dilapidated, out of date little drug store in Radville. He has for years wasted his time on various inventions.

Betty Graham, the old man's pretty but careworn daughter, works in the store. Mr. Littlejohn, the Radville editor, becomes acquainted with Duncan.

"Blinky" Lockwood is the richest man in the village, and Duncan is interested to learn that the old miser has a daughter, Josie.

Duncan obtains a position in old Graham's drug store without pay, for he learns that the village girls, including wealthy Josie Lockwood, are very fond of soda water.

Duncan advances money to buy a new stock of drugs and soda sirups, so as to enable Graham to compete with the rival store.

Josie Lockwood and Angie Tuthill visit the store and make Duncan's acquaintance. They flirt with him and buy soda water.

Duncan meets Betty Graham, who, weary and suspicious of the world, does not enthuse over her father's new clerk.

Roland Barnette, in love with Josie Lockwood, introduces to old Graham a New York swindler, Burnham, who tries to get for a low price a sensational gas machine that Sam has invented.

"Blinky" Lockwood has a note of old Sam's which has matured and threatens Betty as to the consequences of nonpayment.

Betty raves at her father because of his poverty. Duncan comes in and gently remonstrates with the girl.

The sheriff comes to the store to demand payment of Graham's note. Duncan uses almost his last cent to pay the sum, $380.

Duncan meets "Blinky" Lockwood and also saves old Sam from being victimized by Burnham, much to Roland's disgust.

Under Duncan's management the store outstrips its rival, evidencing the young man's real ability.

The acquaintance of Betty and Duncan progresses, though the latter sees that he could wed Josie Lockwood and gain her fortune if he so desired.

Duncan corresponds with Kellogg and learns of the great possibilities of Sam's gas machine invention.

(Continued from Last Sunday.)

CHAPTER XII.

DUNCAN went home for his midday meal. It wasn't much of a walk from Sam Graham's store to Miss Carpenter's, and he didn't mind in the least.

On this particular day he was sincerely hungry, but he had much to think about besides, and between the two he just bolted his food and made off hotfoot for the store.

Naturally, knowing nothing about Sam's note, although he knew Pete Willing by sight as the sheriff and town drunkard in one, it didn't worry him at all to discover that gentleman tacking toward the store as he hurried up Beech street, eager to get back to his job. The first intimation that he had of anything seriously amiss was when he entered, following Pete.

Pete Willing, sheriff and born drunkard, is the best natured man in the world, as a general rule. Drunk or sober, Radville tolerates him for just that quality. On only two occasions is he irritable and unmanageable—when his wife gets after him about the drink and when he has a duty to perform in his official capacity.

Tall, gaunt, gangling and loose jointed, Duncan, returning to the store from lunch, found Pete standing in the middle of the floor, hands in pockets and a noisome stogy thrust into a corner of his mouth.

"I'm sorry about this, Sam," he bellowed, "but there ain't no use wastin' words 'bout it. I'm here on business."

"But what's the matter, sheriff?" Graham asked, his voice breaking.

"Ah, you know you got a note due at the bank, don't you?"

"Yes, but"—

"Well, it's protested. Y' understand that, don't you? I'm here to serve the papers on to you.'

"But—but there must be some mistake." Sam clutched blindly for his hat. "I'll step over and see Mr. Lockwood. He's always been kind, very kind."

"Naw!" Pete bawled. "Mr. Lockwood don't want to see you unless you can settle. Y' can save yourself the trouble. Y' gottuh put up or git out. I got orders from him soon's I got judgment to close y' up. And that goes, see?"

"To—to turn me out of the store, Pete?" Graham's world had slipped from beneath his feet. He was overwhelmed. And it was with a child's look of pitiful dismay and perplexity that he faced the sheriff.

"YOU GOT A NOTE DUE AT THE BANK."

The father who has fallen short of his child's trust and confidence knows that look. To Duncan its appeal was irresistible. He had his hand in his pocket, clutching the still considerable remains of what Kellogg had termed his grubstake, before he knew it.

"But—there must be some mistake," Graham repeated pleadingly. "It can't be. Mr. Lockwood surely wouldn't"—

"Now, there ain't no use whinin' about it!" Willing roared him into silence. "Law is law, and"— He ceased quickly, surprised to find Duncan standing between him and his prey. "What"— he began.

"Wait!" Duncan touched him gently on the chest with a forefinger, at the same time catching and holding the sheriff's eye. "Are you," he inquired quietly, "laboring under the impression that Mr. Graham is deaf?"

"What!"

Duncan turned to Sam apologetically. "He said 'what.' Did you hear it, sir?"

But by this time Pete was recovering to some degree. "What've you got to say about this?" he demanded crescendo.

"I'll show you," Duncan told him in the same quiet voice, "what I've got to say if you'll just put the soft pedal on and tell me the amount of that note."

"With interest and costs," he said less stridently, "it figgers up three hundred 'n' eighty dollars 'n' eighty-two cents."

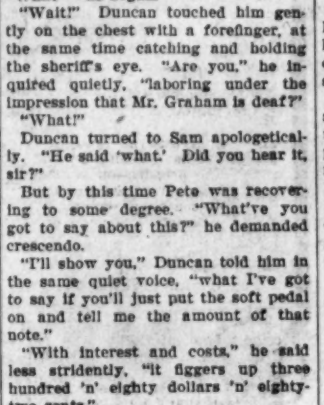
There's no use denying that Duncan was staggered. For the moment his poise deserted him utterly. He could only repeat, as one who dreams, "Three hundred and eighty dollars!"

His momentary consternation afforded Pete the opening he needed. The room shook with his regained sense of prestige.

"Yes, three hundred 'n' eighty dollars 'n'— Say, you look a-here!"

Again the calm forefinger touched him and like a hypnotist's pass checked the rolling volume of noise. "Listen," begged Duncan. "If you've got anything else to tell me please retire to the opposite side of the street and whisper it. Meantime be quiet."

Duncan turned and made for the soda counter, beneath which was the till. His scanty roll of bills was in his right hand and there concealed. He stepped behind the counter (old Sam watching him with an amazement no less absolute than Pete's), pulled out the till, bent over it with an assured air and pushed back the coin slide. Then quite naturally he produced with his right hand his four hundred and



PETE TURNED BACK THE LAPEL OF HIS COAT.

odd dollars from the bill drawer, stood up and counted them with great deliberation—

"One, two, three, four."

He smiled winningly at Pete. "Four hundred dollars, Mr. Sheriff. Now will you be good enough to hand over that note and the change and then put yourself and that pickle you're wearing in your face on the other side of the door?"

"I ain't got the note with me, Mr. Duncan."

"Then perhaps you won't mind going to the bank for it?"

Half suffocated, Pete assented. "Aw' right, I'll go and git it. Kin I have the money?"

"Certainly." Duncan extended the bills, then on second thought withheld them. "I presume you're a regular sheriff?" he inquired.

Very proudly Pete turned back the lapel of his coat and distended the chest on which shone his nickel plated badge of office. Duncan examined it with grave admiration.

"It's beautiful," he said, with a sigh. "Here."

Gingerly Pete grasped the bills, thumbed them over to make sure they were real and bolted as for his life, his coattails level on the breeze. There floated back to Duncan and old Sam his valedictory. "Waal, I'll be dodgasted!"

With a short, quiet laugh Duncan made as though to go out to the back yard, where the new stock was being delivered.

"I'm going," he said hurriedly, "to find me a hatchet and knock the stuffing out of some of those packing cases. Want to get all that truck indoors before nightfall, you know."

But old Sam wasn't to be put off by any such obvious subterfuge as that. He put himself in front of Duncan.

"Nat, my boy," he said, tremulous, "I can't let this go through. I can't allow you"—

"There, now," Duncan told him unconcernedly, yet kindly, "don't say anything more. It's over and done with."

"But you mustn't. I'll turn over the store to you if"—

"O Lord!" Duncan's dismay was as genuine as his desire to escape Graham's gratitude. "No—don't! Please don't do that!"

"But I must do something, my boy. I can't accept so great a kindness unless," said Graham, with a timid flash of hope, "you'll consider a partnership"—

"That's it!" cried Duncan, glad of any way out of the situation. "That's the way to do it—a partnership. No; please don't say any more about it just now. We can settle details later. We've got to get busy. Tell you what I wish you'd do while I'm bursting open those boxes. If you don't mind going down to the station to make sure that everything's"—

"Yes, I'll go; I'll go at once." Sam groped for Duncan's hand, caught and held it between both his own. "If—if fate or something hadn't brought you here today I don't know what would have happened to Betty and me."

"Never mind." Duncan tried to soothe him. "Just don't you think about it."

Graham shook his head, still bewildered. "Perhaps," he stumbled on, "to a gentleman of your wealth $400 isn't much"—

"No," said Duncan gravely without the flicker of an eyelash, "nothing." He remembered well the few dollars that now represented all his worldly goods. Then he smiled cheerfully. "There, that's all right."

"To me it's meant everything. I—I only hope I'll be able to repay you some day. God bless you, my boy! God bless you!"

He managed to jam his hat awry on his white old head and find his way out, his hands fumbling with one another, his lips moving inaudibly, perhaps in a prayer of thanksgiving.

It was perhaps within the next thirty minutes that Betty (who had been left in charge of the store while Duncan, with coat and collar off and sleeves rolled above his elbows, hacked and pounded and pried and banged at the packing cases in the back yard) sought him on the scene of his labors.

"Pretty good work for a York dude—not?" he laughed.

There was a shadowy smile in her grave eyes. "It's an improvement," she said evenly.

He shot her a curious glance. "Ouch!" he said thoughtfully.

"I just came to tell you," she went on, again immobile, "you're wanted inside."

"Somebody wants to see me?" he demanded of her retreating back.

"Yes."

"But who"—

"Blinky Lockwood," she replied over her shoulder as she went into the house.

"Lockwood?" He speculated, for an instant puzzled, then suddenly "Father-in-law!" he cried. "Shivering snakes, he mustn't catch me like this—I, a business man!"

Hastily rolling down his shirt sleeves and shrugging himself into his coat, he made for the store, buttoning his collar and knotting his tie on the way.

He found Blinky nosing round the room, quite alone. Betty had disappeared, and the old scoundrel was having quite an enjoyable time poking into matters that did not concern him and disapproving of them on general principles. So far as the improvements concerned old Sam Graham's fortunes, Blinky would concede no health in them. But with regard to Duncan there was another story to tell. Duncan apparently controlled money to some vague extent.

"You're Mr. Duncan, ain't you?" he asked, with his leer, moving down to meet Nat.

"Yes, sir. Mr. Lockwood, I believe?"

"That's me." Blinky clutched his hand in a genial claw. "I'm glad to meet you."

"Thank you," said Duncan. "Something I can do for you, sir?"

"Waal, Pete Willin' was tellin' me you'd just took up this note of Graham's?"

"Not exactly. The firm took it up."

Blinky winked savagely at this. "The firm—what firm?"

"Graham & Duncan, sir. I've been taken into partnership."

"Have, eh?" Blinky grunted mysteriously and fished in his pocket for some bills and silver. "Waal, here's some change comin' to the firm, then. And here," he added, producing the document in question, "is Sam's note."

"Thank you." Duncan ceremoniously deposited both in the till, going behind the soda fountain to do so, and then waited, expectant. Blinky was grunting busily in the key of one about to make an important communication.

"I'm glad you're a-comin' in here with Sam," he said at length, with an acid grimace that was meant to be a smile.

"Oh, it may be only temporary." Nat endeavored to assume a seraphic expression and partially succeeded. "I'm devoting much of my time to my studies," he pursued primly, "but nevertheless feel I should be earning something too."

"That's right—that's the kind of spirit I like to see in a young man. You always go to church, don't you?"

"No, sir—Sundays only."

"That's what I mean. D' you drink?"

"Oh, no, sir." Duncan parroted glibly, "don't smoke, drink, swear, and on Sundays I go to church."

The bland smile with which he faced Lockwood's keen scrutiny disarmed suspicion.

"I'm glad to hear that," Blinky told him. "I'm at the head of the temp'rance movement here, and I hope you'll join us and set an example to our fast young men."

"I feel sure I could do that," said Duncan meekly.

Lockwood removed his hat, exposing the cranium of a baldheaded eagle, and fanned himself. "Warm today," he observed in an endeavor to be genial that all but sprained his temperament. Indeed, so great was the strain that he winked violently.

Duncan observed this phenomenon with natural astonishment not unmixed with awe. "Yes, sir; very," he agreed, wondering what it might portend.

"I believe I'll have a glass of sody."

"Certainly." Duncan, by now habituated to the formula of soda dispensing, promptly produced a bright and shining glass.

"I see you've been fixin' this place up some."

"Oh, yes," said Nat loftily. "We expect to have the best drug store in the state. What sirup would you prefer?"

"Just sody," stipulated Lockwood.

His spasmodic wink again smote Duncan's understanding a mighty blow. Unable to believe his eyes, he hedged and stammered. Could it be? This from the leader of the temperance movement in Radville?

"I beg pardon?"

His denseness irritated Blinky slightly, with the result that the right side of his face again underwent an alarming convulsion. "I say," he explained carefully, "just—plain—sody."

"On the level?"

"What?" grunted Blinky, and blinked again.

A smile of comprehension irradiated Nat's features. "Pardon," he said. "I'm a little new to the business."

Blinky, fanning himself industriously, glared round the store while Duncan, turning his back, discreetly found and uncorked the whisky bottle. He poured out a liberal dose of raw red liquor. Then, with his fingers clamped tightly about the bottom of the glass,

"I SAY, JUST—PLAIN—SODY."

the better to conceal its contents from any casual but inquisitive passerby, he quickly filled it with soda and placed it before Blinky, accompanying the action with the sweetest of child-like smiles.

Lockwood, nodding his acknowledgments, lifted the glass to his lips. Duncan awaited developments with some apprehension. To his relief, however, Blinky, after an experimental swallow, emptied the mixture expeditiously into his system and smacked his thin lips resoundingly.

"How," he demanded, "can any one want intoxicatin' likkers when they can get such a bracin' drink as that?"

"I pass," Nat breathed, limp with admiration of such astounding hypocrisy.

Blinky reluctantly pried a nickel loose from his finances and placed it on the counter. Duncan regarded it with disdain.

"Ten cents more, please," he suggested tactfully.

"What for?"

"Plain sody." The explanation was accompanied by a very passable imitation of Blinky's blink.

CHAPTER XIII.

HAPPILY for Duncan, Blinky had no sense of humor. If he had he would explode the very first time he indulged in introspection.

"Not much," said he, with his sour smile. "I guess you're jokin' about the price of that drink. Well, good luck to you, Mr. Duncan. I'd like to have you come round and see us some evenin'."

"Thank you very much, sir." Duncan accompanied Blinky to the door. "I've already had the pleasure of meeting your daughter, sir. She's a charming girl."

"I'm real glad you think so," said Blinky, intensely gratified. "She seems to 've taken a great shine to you too. Come round and get 'quainted with the hull family. You're the sort of young feller I'd like her to know." He paused and looked Nat up and down captiously, as one might appraise the points of a horse of quality put up for sale. "Good day," said he, with the most significant of winks.

"Oh, that's all right." Nat hastened to reassure him. "I won't say a word about it."

Blinky, on the point of leaving, started to question this (to him) cryptic utterance, but luckily had the current of his thoughts diverted by the entrance of Roland Barnette in company with his friend Mr. Burnham.

Roland's consternation at this unexpected encounter was, in the mildest term, extreme. At sight of his employer he pulled up as if slapped. "Oh," he faltered, "I didn't know you was here, sir."

"No," said Blinky, with keen relish; "I guess you didn't."

"I—ah—come over to see Sam about that note," stammered Roland.

"Waal, don't you bother your head 'bout what ain't your business, Roly. Come on back to the bank."

"All right, sir." Roland grasped frantically at the opportunity to emphasize his importance. "Excuse me, Mr. Lockwood, but I'd like to introdoos you to a friend of mine, Mr. Burnham, from Noo York."

Amused, Burnham stepped into the breach. "How are you?" he said with the proper nuance of cordiality, offering his hand.

Lockwood shook it unemotionally. "How de do?" he said perfunctorily.

"I brought Mr. Burnham in to see Sam"—

"Yes," Burnham interrupted Roland quickly; "Barnette's been kind enough to show me round town a bit."

"Here on business?" inquired Lockwood pointedly.

"No, not exactly," returned Burnham with practical ease; "just looking round."

"Only lookin', eh?" Blinky's countenance underwent one of its erratic quakes as he examined Burnham with his habitual intentness.

The New Yorker caught the wink and lost breath. "Ah—yes—that's all," he assented uneasily. And as he spoke another wink dumfounded him. "Why?" he asked, with a distinct loss of assurance. "Don't you believe it?"

"Don't see no reason why I should not," grunted Blinky. "Hope you'll like what you see. Good day."

"So long, Mr. Lockwood," returned Burnham uncertainly.

Lockwood paused outside the door. "Come 'long, Roland."

"Yes, sir; right away; just a minute." Roland was lingering unwillingly, detained by Burnham's imperative hand. "What d' you want? I got to hurry."

"What was he winking at me for?" demanded Burnham heatedly. "Have you"—

"Oh!" Roland laughed. "He wasn't winking. He can't help doing that. It's a twitchin' he's got in his eye. That's why they call him Blinky."

"Oh, that was it!" Burnham accepted the explanation with distinct relief, while Duncan, who had been an unregarded spectator, suddenly found cause to retire behind one of the showcases on important business.

So that was the explanation!

After his paroxysm had subsided and he felt able to control his facial muscles Duncan emerged suave and solemn. Roland had disappeared with Blinky, and Burnham was alone.

"Anything you wish, sir?" asked Nat.

"Only to see Mr. Graham."

"He's out just at present, but I think he'll be back in a moment or so. Will you wait? You'll find that chair comfortable, I think."

"Believe I will," said Burnham, with an air. He seated himself. "I can't wait long, though," he amended.

"Yes, sir. And if you'll excuse me"—

Burnham's hand dismissed him with a tolerant wave. "Go right on about your business," he said, with supreme condescension.

And Duncan returned to his work in the back yard.

It wasn't long before he found occasion to go back to the store, and by that time old Sam was there in conversation with Burnham.

"That's part of my business," he heard Burnham say in his sleek, oleaginous accents. "Sometimes I pick up an odd, no 'count contraption that makes me a bit of money, and more times I'm stung and lose on it. There might be something to this gas burner of yours, and again there mightn't. I've been thinking I might be willing to risk a few dollars on it if we could come to terms."

"Do you mean it really?" said old Sam eagerly.

"Not to invest in it, so to speak; I don't think its chances are strong enough for that. But if you'd care to sell the patent outright and aren't too ambitious we might make a dicker. What d' you say?"

"Why, yes," said Graham, quivering with anticipation. "Yes, indeed, if"—

"Well?"

"If you really think it's worth anything, sir."

Burnham laughed doubtingly and said:

"Well, as I say, there's no telling, but I was thinking about it at dinner, and I sort of concluded I'd like to own that burner, so I made out a little bill of sale, and I says to myself, says I, 'If Graham will take $500 for that patent I'll give him spot cash, right in his hand,' says I."

With this Burnham tipped back in his chair and brought forth a wallet from which he drew a sheet of paper and several bills.

"Five hundred dollars!" repeated Graham, thunderstruck by this munificence.

"Yes, sir, five hundred, cash. To tell you the truth—guess you don't know it—I heard at the bank that they didn't intend to extend the time on that note of yours, and I thought this five hundred would come in handy and kind of wanted to help you out. Now, what do you say?"

He flourished the bills under Graham's nose and waited, entirely at ease as to his answer.

"Well," said the old man, "it is kind of you, sir—very kind. Everybody's been good to me recently, or else I'm dreamin'."

"Then it's a bargain?"

"Why, I hope it won't lose any money for you, Mr. Burnham," Sam hesitated, with his inerradicable sense of fairness and square dealing. "Making gas from crude oil ought to"—

Duncan never heard the end of that speech. For some moments he had been listening intently, trying to recollect something. The name of Burnham plucked a string on the instrument of his memory. He knew he had heard it some place, some time in the past, but how or when or in respect to what he could not make up his mind. It had required Sam's reference to gas and crude oil to close the circuit. Then he remembered. Kellogg had mentioned a man by the name of Burnham who was "on the track of" an important invention for making gas from crude oil. This must be the man Burnham, the tracker, and poor old Graham must be the tracked.

Without warning Duncan ran round and made himself an uninvited third to the conference.

"Mr. Graham, one moment!" he begged, excited. "Is this patent of yours on a process of making gas from crude oil?"

Burnham looked up impatiently, frowning at the interruption, but Graham was all good humor.

"Why, yes," he started to explain; "it's that burner over there that"—

"But I wouldn't sell it just yet if I were you," said Nat. "It may be worth a good deal"—

"Now, look here!" Burnham got to his feet in anger. "What business have you got butting into this?" he demanded, putting himself between Duncan and the inventor.

"Me?" Duncan queried simply. "Only just because I'm a business man. If you don't believe it ask Mr. Graham."

"He's got a perfect right to advise me, Mr. Burnham," interposed Graham, rising.

"Well, but—but what objection 've you got to his making a little money out of this patent?" Burnham blustered.

"None, only I want to look into the matter first. I think it might be—ah—advisable."

"What makes you think so?" demanded Burnham, his tone withering.

"Well," said Nat, with an effort summoning his faculties to cope with a matter of strict business, "it's this way. I've got an idea," he said, poking at Burnham with the forefinger which had proved so effective with Pete Willing, "that you wouldn't offer 500 iron men for this burner unless you expected to make something big out of it, and it ought to be worth just as much to Mr. Graham as to you."

"Ah, you don't know what you're talking about."

"I know that," Nat admitted simply, "but I do happen to know you're promoting a scheme for making gas from crude oil, and if Mr. Graham will listen to me you won't get his patent until I've consulted my friend Henry Kellogg."

"Kellogg!"

"Yes. You know—of L. J. Bartlett & Co." Nat's forefinger continued to do deadly work. Burnham backed away from it as from a fiery brand.

"Oh, well," he said, dashed, "if you're representing Kellogg"—and Nat took care not to refute the implication—"I—I don't want to interfere. Only," he pursued at random in his discomfiture, "I can't see why he sent you here."

"I'd be ashamed to tell you," Nat returned with an open smile. "Better ask him."

Burnham gathered his wits together for a final threat. "That's what I will do!" he threatened. "And I'll do it the minute I can see him. You can bet on that, Mr. What's-your-name!"

"No, I can't," said Nat naively. "I'm not allowed to gamble."

His ingenuous expression exasperated Burnham. The man lost control of his temper at the same moment that he acknowledged to himself his defeat. In disgust he turned away.

"Oh, there's no use talking to you"—

"That's right," Nat agreed fairly.

"But I'll see you again, Mr. Graham"—

"Not alone, if I can help it, Mr. Burnham," Duncan amended sweetly.

"But," Burnham continued, severely ignoring Nat and addressing himself squarely to Graham, "you take my tip and don't do any business with this fellow until you find out who he is." He flung himself out of the shop with a barked "Good day!"

"Well, Mr. Graham?" Duncan turned a little apprehensively to the inventor.

"Margaret used to talk that way sometimes," he remarked. "She was the best woman in the world—and the wisest. She used to take care of me and protect me from my foolish impulses, just as you do, my boy."

For a space Duncan kept silent, respecting the old man's memories and a great deal humbled in spirit by the parallel Sam had drawn. Then, "I was afraid what I said would sound queer to you, sir," he ventured—"that you mightn't understand that I'm not here to do you out of your invention."

"There's nothing on earth, my boy"—Graham's hand fell on Nat's arm—"that could make me think that. But $500, you see, would have repaid you for taking up that note, and—I could have bought Betty a new dress for the party. But I'm sure you've done what's best. You're a business man"—

"Don't!" Nat pleaded wildly. "I've been called that so much of late that it's beginning to hurt!"

The old man turned away sadly, lighted a candle and went down into the cobwebby cellar to patch a broken window.

CHAPTER XIV.

"THE way he's worked!" Sam Graham said to me that night about Duncan. "You'd hardly believe it, Homer. He said he wanted to get home early so's to write a letter to a friend of his in New York, a Mr. Kellogg, junior member of L. J. Bartlett & Co., about my invention. But he insisted on leaving everything to rights for business tomorrow. And just look!"

"But I thought Roland Barnette"—I suggested with guile. Of course I'd heard a rumor of what had happened—almost every one in town had—and how Roland and his friend Mr. Burnham had sort of fallen out on the way from the Bigelow House to the train, but no one knew anything definite, and I wanted to get "the rights of it," as Radville says.

So I had dropped in at Graham's on my way home from the office, as I often do, for an evening smoke and a bit of gossip. Then I started home.

After a time I became aware that some one was overtaking me.

"Good evening, Mr. Duncan," I saluted.

He stopped short, peering through the gloom. "Good evening, but—Mr. Littlejohn? Glad to see you. Aren't you late?"

"You're out late yourself, Mr. Duncan, for one of such regular, not to

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say abnormal, habits—one who never misses going to church and Sunday school, no matter what the weather."

He laughed lightly. "Had a letter I wanted to catch the first morning train."

"Then you're interested in Sam's burner?"

"No, I'm not, but I hope to interest others. Oh, yes, Mr. Graham told you about it, of course. It just struck me that if a man of Burnham's stamp was willing to risk $500 on the proposition he very likely foresaw a profit in it that might as well be Mr. Graham's. So I've sent a detailed description of the thing to a friend in New York who'll look into it for me."

He was silent for a little.

"Who's Colonel Bohun?" he asked suddenly.

"Why do you ask?"

"I saw him this evening. He was passing the store and stopped to glare in as if he hated it—stopped so long that I got nervous and asked Miss Lockwood (she'd just happened in for a parting glass—of soda) whether he was an anarchist or a retired burglar. She told me his name, but was otherwise inhumanly reticent."

"For Josie?" I chuckled, but he didn't respond. So I took up the tale of the first family of Radville.

"The story runs," said I, "that the Bohuns were one of the F. F. V.'s; that they sickened of slavery, freed their slaves and moved north to settle in Radville. I believe they came from somewhere around Lynchburg, but that was a couple of generations ago. When the civil war broke out the old colonel up there"—I gestured vaguely in the general direction of the Bohun mansion—"couldn't keep out of it, and naturally he couldn't fight with the north. He won his spurs under Lee. After the war had blown over he came home, to find that his only son had enlisted with the Radville company and disappeared at Gettysburg. It pretty nearly killed the old man, though he wasn't so old then, but there's fire in the Bohun blood, and his boy's action seemed to him nothing less than treason."

"And that's what soured him on the world?"

"Not altogether. He had a daughter—Margaret. She was the most beautiful woman in the world." I suspect my voice broke a little just there, for there was a shade of respectful sympathy in the monosyllable with which he filled the pause. "He swore she should never marry a northerner, but she did. I guess, being a Bohun, she had to after hearing she must not. There were two of us that loved her, but she chose Sam Graham."

"Why," he said awkwardly, "I'm sorry."

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"I'm not. She was right if I couldn't see it that way. They ran away, and so did I. I went east, but they came back to Radville. Colonel Bohun never forgave them, but they were very happy till she died. Betty's their daughter, of course. Sam's not the kind that marries more than once."

We reached our gate, went in very quietly, lit our candles and with elaborate care avoided the homemade burglar alarm.

"By the way, did you get your invitation to Josie Lockwood's party, Mr. Duncan? I happened to see it on the hall table this evening."

"Yes," he assented quietly.

"It's to be the social event of the year. I hope you'll enjoy it."

"I'm not going. It's against the rules at first—I mean business rules. I'll be so busy at the store, you know."

Alone, I was fain to confess he baffled my understanding.

The rush of business to Graham's began the following morning. Duncan's hands were full almost from the first, and he had to relegate such matters as making final disposition of his stock and getting acquainted with it to the intervals between waiting upon customers. Old Sam must have put up more prescriptions in the next few days than he had within the last five years. Everybody wanted to take a look at the renovated store, shake Sam's hand and see what the new partner was really like. Sothern & Lee's was for some days quite deserted, especially after Duncan took a leaf out of their book, bought an ice cream freezer and began to serve dabs of cream in the soda.

Will Bigelow even dropped round and bought samples of the tobacco stock, from two-fors up to ten-centers, and smoked them with expressive snorts. Tracey Tanner's soda and cigarette trade was transferred bodily to Graham's from the first, and Roland Barnette gave it his patronage, albeit grudgingly, as soon as he found it impossible to shake Josie Lockwood's allegiance. I say grudgingly because Roland didn't like the new partner and had said so from the first. But every one else did like him almost without exception. His attentiveness and courtesy were not ungrateful after the way things were thrown at you at Sothern & Lee's, we declared.

Duncan certainly did strive to please. No man ever worked harder in a Radville store than he did. And from the time that he began to believe there would be some reward for his exertions, that the business was susceptible to being built up by the employment of progressive methods, he grew astonishingly prolific of ideas, from our sleepy point of view. The window displays were changed almost daily, to begin with, and were made as interesting as possible. We learned to go blocks out of our way to find out what Graham & Duncan were exploiting today. And daily bargain sales were instituted, low priced articles of everyday use, such as shaving soap, toothbrushes and the like, being sold at a few cents above cost on certain days, which were announced in advance by means of hand lettered cards in the show windows, whereas formerly we had always been obliged to pay full list prices.

Still earlier in his career as a business man he noticed that the local practitioners wrote their prescriptions on odd scraps of paper.

"That's all wrong," he declared. "We'll have to fix it." And by next morning the job printing press back of the courthouse was groaning under an order from Graham & Duncan's, and a few days later every physician within several miles of Radville received half a dozen neat pads of blanks with his name and address printed at the top and the advice across the bottom, "Go to Graham's for the best and purest drugs and chemicals." The backs of the blanks were utilized to request people living out of reach, but on rural free delivery routes, either to mail their prescriptions and other orders in or have the physicians telephone them, promising to fill and dispatch them by the first post.

For he had a telephone installed within the first fortnight and the next day advertised in the Gazette that orders by telephone would receive prompt attention and be delivered without delay. Tracey Tanner became his delivery boy, deserting his father's stables for the obvious advantages of $3 a week with a chance to learn the business.

Starting with a line of five and ten cent packages of indigestible sweets, Duncan in time made arrangements with a big Pittsburg confectionery concern to ship him a small consignment of pound and half pound "fancy" boxes of chocolates and bonbons twice a week. And taffy pulls and fudge parties lapsed into desuetude.

Later Sperry introduced him to an association of druggists, of which he became a member, for the maintenance and exploitation of the cigar and tobacco trade in connection with the drug business.

Again, he treated Radville to its first circulating library, establishing a branch in the store. One could buy a book at a moderate price and either keep it or exchange it for a fee of a few cents.

Undoubtedly he made the business hum during those first few months, and after that it settled down to a steady forward movement. The store became a social center, a place for people to meet. In time Tracey was promoted to be assistant and another boy engaged to make deliveries.

But this chronicle of progress has run away altogether with a desultory pen, which started to tell why Duncan didn't want to go to Josie Lockwood's party. I was long in finding out, but not so long as Duncan himself, perhaps, by which I mean to say that he was conscious of the desire not to go and determined not to without stopping to analyze the cause of that desire more than very superficially.

It happened, toward the close of the eventful day already detailed at such length, that as Duncan was entering the house with a load of boxed goods he heard voices in the store—young voices, of which one was already too familiar to his ears. He paused, waiting for them to get through with their business and go, for he had no time to waste just then, even upon the heiress of his manufactured destiny. Betty was then working in the shop (old Sam having gone upstairs for a little rest, who was overwrought and weary with the excitement of that day), and it was Duncan's hope that she would be able to serve the customers without his assistance.

There were two of them, you see—Josie and Angie Tuthill—hunting, as usual, in couples. And while he waited, not meaning to eavesdrop, but unwilling to betray his whereabouts by moving, he heard very clearly their passage with Betty.

He overheard first, distinctly, Betty responding in expressionless tones: "Hello, Angie. Hello, Josie."

There ensued what seemed a slightly awkward pause, then Josie, painfully sweet, "Did you get the invitation, Betty?"

Betty moved into Duncan's range of vision, apparently intending to come and call him. She turned at the question, and he saw her small, thin little body and pinched face en silhouette against the fading light beyond. He saw, too, that she was stiffening herself as if for some unequal contest.

"The invitation?" she questioned dully, but with her head up and steady.

"Why," said Josie, "I sent you one—to the party, you know—my lawn feet next week."

I give the local pronunciation as it is.

"Did you?"

"I gave it to Tracey for you," persisted the tormentor. "Didn't you get it?"

Betty caught at her breath inaudibly. Only Duncan could see the little spasm of mortification and anger that shook her.

"Oh, perhaps I did," she said shortly. "I—I'll ask Mr. Duncan to wait on you."

She swung quickly out into the hallway, slamming the door behind her and so darkening it that she didn't detect Duncan's shadowed figure. And if she had meant to call him she must have forgotten it, for an instant later he heard her stumbling up the stairs, and as she disappeared he caught the echo of a smothered sob.

He waited motionless, too disturbed at the time to care to enter the store and endure Josie's vapid advances, and through the thin partition there came to him their sharp comments on Betty's ungracious behavior.

"Well!"

Josie said finally: "Oh, come on. Don't let's wait any longer. I don't think it's healthy to drink sody so soon before dinner, anyway."

Angie glanced significantly at Josie, saying:

"And, besides, we only wanted to hear"—

Their voices with their footsteps diminished. Duncan allowed a prudent interval to elapse, entered the store and began to bestow the goods he had brought in.

While he was at work the light failed. He stopped for lack of it just as Betty came downstairs.

"Hello!" he said cheerfully. "Know where the matches are?"

"Yes." She moved behind a counter and fetched him a few. "Are you most done?" she inquired, not unfriendly, as he took down from its bracket one of the oil lamps.

"Hardly," he responded, touching a light to the wick and replacing the chimney. "It's a good deal of a job."

"Yes."

He replaced the lamp and in the act of turning toward another caught a glimpse of the girl's face, pale and drawn, her eyes a trifle reddened. And with that common sense departed from him, leaving him wholly a prey to his impulse of pity. "Oh, thunder!" he told himself, thrusting a hand into his pocket. "I might as well be broke as the way I am now." He produced the scanty remains of his "grubstake."

"Miss Graham"—

"Yes?" she asked, wondering.

"Could you get a party dress for thirty-four dollars?"

"Thirty-four dollars!" she faltered.

He discovered what small change he had in his pocket. It was like him to be extravagant, even extreme. "And fifty-three cents?" he pursued, with a nervous laugh.

"Heavens!" the girl gasped. "I should think so!"

"Then go ahead!" He offered her the money, but she could only stare, incredulous. "I'll stake you."

"Oh, no, Mr. Duncan," she managed to say.

"Oh, yes!" He tried to catch one of the hands that involuntarily had risen toward her face in a gesture of wonder. "Please do," he begged, his tone persuasive, "as a favor to me."

But she evaded him, stepping back. "I couldn't take it; I couldn't really."

"Yes, you can. Just try it once and see how easy it is," he persisted, pursuing.

"No, I can't." She looked up shyly and shook her head, that smile of her mother's for the moment illuminating her face almost with the radiance of beauty. "But I—I thank you very much—just the same."

"But I want you to go to that party."

"You're awful kind," she said softly, still smiling, "but I don't care to go now. I"—

"Don't care to go! Why, you were insisting on going a little while ago."

"Yes," she admitted simply, "I know I was. But I've been thinking over what you said since then, and I—I've made up my mind I'd be out of place there."

"Out of place!" he echoed, thunderstruck.

"Yes. I've concluded I belong here in the store with father." She half turned away. "And I guess folks is better off if they stay where they belong."

CHAPTER XV.

NAT didn't go to the Lockwood lawn fete and did excuse himself on the plea of being unable to leave the store. I'm afraid the young man had a faint, fond hope that Josie would be offended, but his excuse was accepted without remonstrance.

But the party came off without fail, and that on a wonderful still, moonlit night, and everybody voted it a splendid success. The Citizen in its next issue recorded the event to the extent of a column and a half of reading matter, called it a social function and described the gowns of the leading ladies of society present in bewildering phrases. I read the proofs with an admiration strongly tinctured with awe and found it lacking in one particular only—no mention was made of Roland Barnette's first open faced suit.

Roland had ordered it from a clothing house in Chicago, and it arrived just in time. Having heard all about it from Roland's own lips (they dilated upon the matter to Watty, the tailor, just beneath my window), I sort of hung round downtown Saturday evening in the hope of catching a glimpse of it and was not disappointed. I was loitering in Graham's when Roland sauntered nonchalantly in at about a quarter to 8 and called for a pack of "Sweets." Sam served him, and Duncan, happily for him disengaged at the moment, after one look at Roland retired precipitately behind the prescription counter—overcome, I judged from Roland's triumphant smirk, by deepest chagrin. Well, thought I, might he have been; he could never, by whatever wildest endeavor, have approximated Roland's splendor.

The coat was bobtailed (at least so Watty described it within my hearing) and curiously double breasted, caught together at the waist with a single button, thus revealing a shining expanse of very stiff shirt bosom, which creaked for some reason. With this Roland wore a ribbed white silk waistcoat, very brilliant low cut patent leather shoes and white silk socks. The trousers were strikingly cut as to each leg after the physical configuration of the domestic pear, and the effect of the whole was measurably enhanced by an opera hat, one of those tall and striking contraptions that you can shut up by pressing gently but firmly upon the human midriff and looking unconscious, but which is apt to open with a resounding report if you're not careful. I am glad to be able to report that Roland failed to commit the solecism of wearing a red string tie. His tie was a sober black firmly knotted at the factory.

Duncan fell into a routine without the least evidence of discontent. He was early to rise and early to work and rarely left the store save at meal

SAM HAD RISEN TO THE DIGNITY OF A FROCK COAT.

hours and closing up time. He attended church with admirable regularity, both morning and evening services, on Sunday, the midweekly prayer meeting and Friday evening choir practice, for in the course of time he had been won over to join the choir and modestly discovered to our edification a baritone voice wholly untrained, but not unpleasing. Josie Lockwood sang contralto and Bess Gabriel what we were informed was soprano—only Radville called it a treble. Tracey Tanner pumped the organ and puffed audibly in the pauses, a singular testimony to his devotion to Angie Tuthill, who "just sang" with the others chiefly because she was Josie's nearest friend.

Nat had settled down to a pretty steady correspondence with Kellogg, chiefly on business matters. Kellogg was investigating old Sam's burner and seemed quite impressed with its possibilities. He had quarreled with Roland's friend Burnham on Duncan's representations and ordered him out of the offices of L. J. Bartlett & Co., it seemed. Later he opened up negotiations with a corporation known as the Modern Gas company, I believe, a competitor of Consolidated Petroleum, and in due course representatives of both concerns came to Radville, examined the burner and retired, noncommittal. Then Bartlett sent a requisition for a model and supplied the funds for making it, thus demonstrating his confidence.

As for old Sam, he had risen to the dignity of a frock coat and felt himself an aristocrat for the first time in his life.

I don't remember just how soon it was, but it was shortly after the formation of the firm of Graham & Duncan that the young man received his first invitation to dinner at the Lockwoods'. He accepted, of course, whether he wanted to or not, for there could be no excuse for his refusing a Sunday bid, and the Lockwoods made quite an event of it. The Soules were invited because they were Araminta Lockwood's brother and sister-in-law, and the Godfreys came over from Westerly to grace the board as representatives of the Lockwood strain.

At the conclusion of the meal, which endured throughout two interminable hours, the elder men folk withdrew to the garden and the lawn. Nat was left to Josie, who conducted him to the side porch, out of sight of everybody, and planted herself in a baggy hammock there. She was gay, even brilliant within her limitations, arch, naive, coquettish, shy, petulant, by turns, animated by a sense of conquest. She supplied the major part of the conversation, chatting volubly on the thousand subjects she didn't understand, the dozen she did. In the most ingenuous manner imaginable she laid herself open to advances, not once, but a score of times, and when he failed to respond according to the code of Radville had the wit to mask her chagrin, did she feel any. Very probably she laid his lack of responsiveness at the door of his shyness (a quality he was wholly without) and liked him the better for it.

It was on this day that she extracted from him his promise to join the choir. He acceded through apathy alone.

"I don't care whether you can sing

"I WANT SOMEBODY TO WALK HOME WITH ME."

or not," she confessed, with a look. "But I do want somebody to walk home with me that I like."

"That's a nice way of putting it," Duncan considered without emphasis.

"Roland Barnette's always walked home with me, but I think he's just tiresome."

"Why?" inquired the young man, with some interest.

She averted her head, plucking at the strands of the hammock. "Oh, you know," she said diffidently.

"Oh?" Nat was enlightened. "Then I'm sorry for Roland."

"Why?"

"I can't blame him, you know." He couldn't help this. The time, the place, the girl, inspired—indeed, incited—one to banality.

"Why?" she persisted.

"Oh, *you* know." He caught the intonation of her previous words precisely.

She had the grace to blush and hang her head, but he received a thrilling sideleng glance.

"Ah! Aren't you awful to talk that way, Mr. Duncan?"

"Yes," he admitted meekly.

"Then you will join the choir?"

"Oh, yes," he agreed listlessly.

"I'm so glad."

He thanked her, but avoided her eye.

"We might 's well begin tonight," she suggested presently, with diffident, downcast eyes.

"What—the choir?" He was startled. "Oh, I couldn't without a rehearsal."

"No. I didn't mean that."

"No?"

"I mean about Roland." She was paying minute attention to the lace insertion of her skirt.

"About Roland"—

"Yes; I mean— You know what I mean, Mr. Duncan?"

"I assure you I do not, Miss Lockwood."

"About not walking home with him any more. I don't want to. I wish you'd commence tonight instead of choir practice night. I'd much rather walk home with you."

"After evening service, you mean?" She nodded. "It'll be a great pleasure."

"Really?" She gave him her eyes now.

"Really," he assured her.

"Ah, I don't believe you mean that!"

"But indeed I do."

It was not until nearly 5 o'clock that he was given a chance to escape. He had even then to refuse inflexibly an invitation to stay to supper.

Minta Lockwood—an expansive woman, generously convex—almost smothered him with appreciation of his thanks. She held his hand in a large, moist palm and beamed upon him, saying, "Now't you know the way, Mr. Duncan"—

"Yes," Blinky insisted, blinking roguishly, "drop in any time. Take pot luck. We're plain people, Mr. Duncan, but allus glad to see our friends. Drop in any time."

Josie accompanied him to the front gate, where etiquette required him to linger for a parting chat.

"Goodby." The girl gave him her hand. "I'm real glad you came—at last."

"The pleasure has been all mine," insisted the gallant bromide, fishing the trite phrase desperately from the gray vacuity of his thoughts.

"You won't forget?"

"Forget what?"

"About tonight."

"Do you imagine I could?"

Josie returned to the family conclave, to interrupt a symposium on Duncan's qualities.

Duncan wrote to Kellogg in his room that night after church. "I don't want to sound immodest, but it looks as if you were right, old man—apparently there's nothing to it.

"Probably I should have stayed on for supper, but I couldn't: I should have choked. As it was, my soul was curdling. Another ten minutes and I should have jumped down on the lawn and run round the house on all fours, yapping and foaming at the mouth, and have wound up by biting old Blinky.

"The worst of it all is I know I'm ungrateful; I know they mean well. But why is it that people who mean well almost invariably grate upon your sensibilities like the screeching of a slate pencil?

"But I mustn't say mean things about my future relatives, I presume. That is the great trouble with your infernal scheme, Harry. It seems to be working like a charm, and now that I've got something to do I'm not so strong for it as I was. But I gave you my word. * * * Only mind this—if the rules prescribe a perpetual course of Sunday dinners en famille it's going to break down and turn out a natural born flivver. There are limits to human endurance, and I'm human, whatever else I am not."

(To be Continued Next Sunday.)

CHINESE FAMINE.

Pitiful Stories of Starvation—Novel Plans for Relief.

It will doubtless surprise Americans to learn that in many of the interior cities of China are civic improvement associations whose objects are similar to those of such organizations in this country. The most enlightened and public-spirited Chinese are banded together in those associations for the purpose of promoting education, sanitation, and the common good, and to suppress graft and other forms of political corruption. All of which sounds familiar to American ears.

For the first time these organizations of the Chinese "best people" are to be actively enlisted in carrying out the famine relief measures planned by the relief committee at Shanghai.

This is of especial interest in the United States because the relief funds now being raised by the Red Cross will be distributed through the Shanghai Committee. The famine relief fund will be largely used in employing the famine sufferers to reconstruct their own dykes and roads which have been destroyed by floods. Thus the idle and despairing people will be enabled to earn a living while waiting for another harvest and will at the same time be helping to restore their country to normal conditions. One of the most serious problems in relief operations attending other famines has been the pauperizing effect upon the population of receiving support during prolonged periods of idleness. The plan now to be adopted promises to reduce this demoralizing result. Mr. C. D. Jameson, the American Red Cross engineer who has recently traveled extensively through the districts which have suffered much from famines in late years, reports that the people, finding crops usually a failure, and relief certain, show a natural inclination to abandon their lands and turn to beggary. This tendency it it hoped now to check by means of a sytsem of relief based upon honest work.

The present unsettled political conditions in China make it impossible for the Chinese government to contribute liberally to the relief funds. For this reason it becomes the more imperative that the United States, always China's friend, shall respond to the need generously. Famine conditions are so desperate that any description of them seems almost incredible. Mr. Jameson writes of processions of gaunt, starving people wandering aimlessly along the roads, falling and dying in the mud when they can go no further. Day after day he passed dead bodies of men, women and children lying where they had fallen. And the famine must continue until summer before new crops can be harvested. Nearly 3,000,000 persons live in these famine districts, which cover thousands of square miles.

The Shanghai Relief Committee has asked the United States to raise a relief fund of $1,000,000 and the American Red Cross is endeavoring to do all possible to meet the need. Contributions for this purpose sent to the Red Cross in Washington or to the officers of Red Cross Chapters or State Boards will be cabled to China without unnecessary delays.

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